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6th Jan.	CALEDONIA	7558	.....	.....
13th Jan	ORIENTAL	5284	VICTORIA	6522
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27th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
3rd Feb.	EGYPT	7912	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
17th ,,	CHINA	7913	.....	.....
24th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	BRITANNIA	6525
3rd Mar.	ARABIA	7903	.....	.....
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	10000
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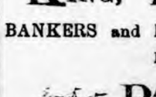
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Bombay, 7th December, 1905.

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AN AUCTION of the FURNITURE purchased on the occasion of the visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales to Indore will be held at the site of the Camp in front of the Residency on the, 14th December, 1905, at 11 A. M.

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TO-NIGHT! TO-NIGHT!!

FAREWELL PERFORMENCE OF HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE PRINCE OF WALES ORCHESTRA.

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TO-NIGHT, DEC. 8TH,

By kind permission of Commodore the Hon'ble HUGH TYRWHITT, R. N.

PROGRAMME,

GOD BLESS THE PRINCE OF WALES.

1. Grand March......Tannhauser......Wagner.
2. Overture ....Fidelio ....Beethoven.
3. Selection ....Pagliacci ....Leoncavallo.
4. Three Dances from Henry VIII 1, Morris Dance; 2, Shepherd Dance; 3, Torch Dance.................. E. German.
5. a, Salut d' Amour.......................... Elgar. b, Chant Sans Paroles,...Souvenir de Hapsal.......................Tschaikowsky.

INTERVAL FOR REFRESHMENTS.

6. Quotation...The King of France...Sousa.
7. Idylle.........Am Muhlbach ....Eilenberg.
8. BellGavotte.Les Cloches de St. Malo.Rimmer.
9. Overture ...Solonnelle 1812 ....Tschaikowsky.
10. Danse ......Styrienne Cyards No. 6.Michiels.

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IN honour of the GOLDEN JUBILEE of the FORT CONVENT, given in the CONVENT HALL, WODEHOUSE ROAD, 12th, DEC. 5-30 p. m. By kind permission of Colonel HOGG and Officers the Band of the 113th Infantry, will perform during the intervals.

SALES BY AUCTION.

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NO. 7, MARINE STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF 4841 LBS. OF SULPHUR.

Under instructions from the store and Shipping Officer, Bombay Station, Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 8th instant, at 1 p. m. in the compound of the Store and Shipping Office, Fort.

4,841 lbs of sulphur.

Cash will be required at the time of sale.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

ON MONDAY, the 11th inst. at 2 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of Grey, white and coloured piece-goods and the following :—

Furniture such as wardrobe, chest of drawers, iron bedstead with spring mattress, acetylene lantern lamp, stereoscopes, Rotoscope, set of taps and dies, steel tape cinematography lens, fishing rod and reel thick pillar brass bedstead with horse hair mattresses, &c.

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1 gold hunting watch by John Jones.
1 camera, which takes cabinet size photos, also 15 by 12 size made by Treacher & Co.
2 chubbs safes on stands 26 by 20 by 20 and 24 by 18 by 18 inches by order of the Administrator-General the effects of the late Harphal Dayaram consisting of Wearing apparels such as trousers shirts, vests, caps, coat pillow, metal watch, brass pots and sundries.

AT 2 P. M.

Several gent's bicycles, by different makers.
1 Werner's Motor cycle.
1 rubber-tyred light victoria.
1 rubber-tyred vis-a-vis.
1 French-polished office shigram.
1 Glass-fronted double-seated brougham.
1 grey Arab horse.
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CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 8th December, 1905.

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A quantity of serviceable and unserviceable stores, lead and other miscellaneous articles.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. MENESSE & Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 9th December 1905, at 3 p. m., the materials for removal of the following buildings :—

The materials of building street Nos. 86, Bandari street.
The materials of building street No 104,1 and 1A Khetwadi Main Road.
The materials of building street Nos. 26-28, Abdool Rahiman Street.

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MENESSE & Co.,

Bombay, 8th December, 1905.

BENNETT AND COMPANY,

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AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 8th inst at 1 p. m., sell by public Auction, on the premises, the whole of the building materials of House Nos. 81-83, 77-79 Cave Nos. 162 163 and Ward Nos. 7590, 7580 Kumbharwada.

AUCTION SALE OF COLOURED PRINTING PAPERS.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 9th instant at 3 p. m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms by order of the concerned and on account and risk of Mahasook Vithal.

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AT 1-30 P. M.

1 handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham in good order.
1 handsome strong victoria, in very good order.
1 handsome strong palanquin office shigram, in very good order.
1 grey pony, quiet in harness.
1 bay pony quiet in harness and saddle.
1 Tonga four wheels and 2 poles.
1, handsome strong six-seated rubber-tyred four-seated victoria suitable for pair of horses.
1 handsome strong grey arab horse, 7 years goes well in harness.

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Bombay, 8th December, 1905.

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ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

SPEECH BY PRINCE VON BULOW.

A STEP TOWARDS BETTER FEELING.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, DEC. 6.

In reply to a telegram from Lord Avebury discribing a meeting held in London in favour of cultivating better relations between Great Britain and Germany, the Kaiser telegraphed "Sincerest thanks to you all. I am sharing your feelings of friendship and goodwill."

Prince von Bulow, speaking in the Reichstag declared that the correct relations between the Cabinets of any two countries were not to exhaust their policies, as popular passions sometimes tend to jeopardize the policies pursued by a Cabinet, an example of which, he said, we have now to reckon with in respect to the deep popular aversion for us in England. It is only recently that any tendency against the continuance of this dangerous tension was noticeable among the leading English circles.

Prince von Buelow sincerely hopes that it indicates the beginning of a desire in England for the renewal of the unfortunately interrupted understanding between Germany and England.

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LONDON, DEC. 7.

Prince von Bulow in his speech further said that the Triplice was not impaired, but Germany must be strong enough to hold her own without allies.

As regards East Asia, Germany's relations with Japan, were good and friendly. He believed the Japanese who through their bravery and intelligence had won a position among the Great Powers, were anxious to consolidate their position by a policy inspiring confidence.

The Anglo-Japanese Treaty contains nothing contrary to Germany's aims. We have, he said, striven for, and desire the open door, and the greatest possible securities for peace are the maintenance of the integrity and independence of China.

He explained Germany's attitude in Morocco. Germany, he said, had a Treaty right to be heard in any reshaping of the conditions in Morocco, and he quoted his Note of 11th April, to Count Metternich, saying that if Germany quietly surrenders her rights in Morocco, we encourage onlookers to treat us with similar disregard in much greater questions.

Finally he denied that Germany was seeking an occasion to fall upon France.

IRISH HOPES OF HOME RULE.

The Cardinal Point.

LONDON, DEC 6.

Mr. John Redmond, presiding at a meeting of the Irish National Convention, said that the prospect opening for Ireland was full of hope, but there was still a delicate and dangerous road to traverse before final victory was gained. He counselled tolerance and conciliation.

A resolution was adopted refusing to make an alliance with any Party not making Home Rule a cardinal part of their programme.

THE NEW SECRETARY FOR INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 7.

Commenting upon the probable construction of the new Ministry the "Englishman" thinks Mr. John Morley is greatly to be preferred to Mr. Haldane whom it considers the next most likely candidate for the Secretary of State for India.

The "Statesman" says that so far Mr. John Morley appears to be the likeliest candidate and his appointment would probably receive as much general approval both in England and in India as that of any other whom the Liberal Leader would find himself able to put forward.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE ACCIDENT AT CHARING CROSS.

Warning Saves Many Lives.

LONDON, DEC. 6

The Charing Cross station was filled with trains at the time of the accident. The premonitory fall of a beam enabled the passengers to escape.

The casualties were confined to the workmen who were repairing the roof.

THE GOVERNOR-ELECT OF MADRAS.

Leaves for England.

Sir Arthur Lawley and family sailed from Capetown to-day homeward bound.

IMMIGRATION IN AUSTRALIA.

Breaking Down the Barrier.

The Commonwealth House of Representatives has passed by 39 to 6 votes, the first of the Immigration Bills which provides that the Commonwealth may arrange with the Government of any other country whereby merchants and tourists may enter and travel under a passport, other natives being prevented from emigrating to Australia at the port of shipment.

A FIGURE conspicuous in the French literature of the later nineteenth century has just passed away in the person of M. Georges Charpentier, the head of the well-known publishing house of that name M. Charpentier was only 59 years of age. His father was the founder of the firm, which had brought out the works of the brothers Goncourt, of Flaubert, of Zola, and of Daudet. M. Charpentier, before passing into his father's business, had made for himself a position in journalism.

THE UNREST IN RUSSIA.

Radical Reforms Promised.

LONDON, DEC. 6, 8-10 P. M.

An official communique published at St. Petersburg says that the Government is inflexibly determined to carry out reforms, but the old laws must stand until new ones are enacted.

Military outbreaks continue in numerous parts of Russia.

GENERAL SAKHAROFF ASSASSINATED.

Work of a Female Revolutionist.

LONDON, DEC. 7.

The "Daily Telegraph" in a despatch from St. Petersburg states that General Sakharoff, ex-Minister for War, has been killed by a female Revolutionist who fired three shots at him from a pistol.

CHURCH AND STATE IN FRANCE.

Separation Bill Passed.

The French Senate has finally passed the Bill separating Church and State by 181 against 102 votes.

THE STRAITS GOVERNORSHIP.

Enlargement of Office.

LONDON, DEC. 6.

The appointment of Sir John Anderson as Governor of Labuan in addition to the Straits from the 1st January and the agreement for a British Resident to control the administration of Brunei have been officially announced.

SWITZERLAND AND JAPAN.

Legation to be Established.

The Swiss National Council has approved of the establishment of a Swiss Legation at Tokio.

LORD AND LADY MINTO.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 7.

The Viceroy and Lady Minto are beginning early to evince an interest in local affairs in India. Yesterday their Excellencies visited the Presidency Hospital here and to-morrow afternoon they go to the Indian Museum. To-morrow morning H. E. Lord Minto inspects the offices of the Government of India Secretariat.

THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.

LOW MORTALITY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 7.

The plague mortality continues low for this time of the year. Throughout India, last week, there were only 2,890 deaths of which Bombay presidency reported 1,059.

THE CALCUTTA COURT MARTIAL.

LIEUT. GAYE'S DEFENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 7.

The Court Martial on 2nd Lieut Gaye is proceeding. The defence closed and went to show that the prisoner when her issued the cheques concerned in the charge, had no knowledge that they would be dishonored. Moreover, prisoner had, it was stated, not incurred debts in a reokless or extravagant manner. He was a man of means and had friends. His Counsel contended that on the evidence, especially that of Captain Turner and the Shroff, nothing had been proved against Lieut. Gaye to show that his conduct had rendered him unfit to remain in the Army. The Judge Advocate sums up the case to-morrow.

THE CALCUTTA FOOTBALL CLUB.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 7.

At the annual meeting of the Calcutta Football Club, last night, Mr. F. W. Carter was elected president with Messrs. Pearson, Drew and Butler as captains for Hockey, Association and Rugby, respectively.

SWADESHISM IN THE PUNJAB.

MAHOMEDAN APPEAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DEC. 7.

A procession in support of the "Swadeshi" movement went through the principal bazars of Rawalpindi city yesterday.

An appeal has been issued to the Mahomedans in Delhi urging them to have nothing to do with the "Swadeshi" movement in its present form.

PUNJAB VOLUNTEERS.

A ROYAL SOUVENIR.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DEC. 6.

The Officer Commanding of the 1st Punjab Volunteers has received the following letter from Commander Sir Charles Cust, C. M. G., M. V. O., Equerry to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales:—

"I am desired by their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales to send you the accompanying photographs, which their Royal Highnesses wish to present to the Volunteers' Club in remembrance of their visit to Lahore in 1905."

The photographs accompanying the letter are signed by their Royal Highnesses.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

THE END OF THE MANŒUVRES.

VISIT FROM THE TASHI LAMA.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE GRAND REVIEW.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

RAWALPINDI, DEC. 7.

Last night, the Northern Army successfully attacked the strong position at Margulla, and carried the heights about 11 o'clock.

This morning, the final operation concluded with a general advance of Sir A Hunter's Force, from Sangjani, the Southerners retiring upon the line of Forts near the Gobra junction where operations closed with a grand charge at about 12-30.

Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales viewed the spectacle, the Princess having gone out from Lord Kitchener's State Camp at Balabgarh and joined the Prince at the Gobra Junction.

After the action was finished His Royal Highness accompanied by Lord Kitchener proceeded by the Royal train to Chakiall Station where they were received by Mr. Meredith, the Commissioner of Rawalpindi, and other civil officials, thereafter driving to Camp along a road decorated with streamers and several triumphal arches.

The State Camp is admirably laid out. The main road in the Camp was lined by the 7th Gurkhas and the 2nd Queen's. The West Surreys and the 30th Pioneers furnished Guards of Honour, the Royal escort being supplied by the 1st Skinner's Horse.

This afternoon the Tashi Lama who arrived in Rawalpindi to-day paid an informal visit to the Prince accompanied by his Prime Minister.

The Prince and Princess afterwards drove out to take tea with Sir Bindon Blood.

The troops are marching in, this evening, for a grand review to-morrow when over 55,000 men will march past.

THE VISIT TO ALIGARH.

GREAT REJOICINGS AND PREPARATIONS

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALIGARH, DEC. 7.

It has now been finally settled that their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of Wales will honour the M. A. O. College by their visit to Aligarh and lunch there on the 7th of March. This honour, conferred by their Royal Highnesses on the Mahomedan public at large and on their national institution has filled their minds with feelings of high gratitude pride and enthusiasm They are making grand preparations for the occasion, and invitations have been sent on behalf of the President and Trustees to the Mahomedan Chiefs and notables among whom their Highnesses the Nawabs of Malerkotla and Bhawalpur have already communicated their willingness to be present on the occasion. His Highness the Nawab of Malerkotla has also wired the great pleasure it will give him to be present during the Royal Visit at Aligarh, and has offered to lend the Malerkotla Lancers and Sappers for escort, and guard duties respectively with their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales, as the Patiala Lancers and Infantry did at the Khalsa College at Amritsar, the State bearing all expenses.

THE U. P. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

SUPPRESSING THE COCAINE TRAFFIC.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, DEC. 7.

A meeting of the United Provinces Legislative Council was held here yesterday, for the purpose of passing the Bill amending the Excise Law in these Provinces.

The Select Committee made no alterations in the form of the Bill, and the Hon'ble Mr. Bose, in moving that the report of the Select Committee be taken into consideration, said that the law as amended would be supplemented by stringent rules to define the persons who may possess cocaine, and to regulate the transport of drugs under passes.

The motion that the Bill be passed was carried unanimously, the Raja of Mahmudabad congratulating the Government on the measure.

PUNJAB UNIVERSITY.

A NEW DEGREE OF TEACHING.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, DEC. 6.

The Senate of the Punjab University will hold a Convocation to confer degrees in the new Senate Hall on the 23rd instant. In the Oriental Faculty, one degree of Master and two of Bachelor of Oriental Learning will be conferred; in the Faculty of Arts there will be 21 Masters' degrees and 159 Bachelors' degrees; there will be 13 Bachelors of Teaching, a newly constituted degree; in the Science Faculty there will be 4 Bachelors and in the Faculty of Medicine 3; Bachelorhoods of Laws will be conferred on ten persons; 14 diplomas conferring Oriental literary titles will be bestowed and in addition to these degrees and diplomas, 20 medals, 13 scholarships and 5 special prizes will be conferred on various persons in the several Faculties.

THE POONA VOLUNTEERS.

A RESERVE COMPANY TO BE RAISED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, DEC. 7.

The Government have sanctioned the formation of a reserve company in connection with the Poona Volunteer Rifles and the Officer Commanding, the Corps will proceed to the formation of the company forthwith in Poona.

THE question of a direct telephone service between Paris and Rome is again on the point of entering into a practical phase. It is now more than a year since an Italian scientist demonstrated in a practical manner that by means of a more powerful transmitter and receiver all difficulties in the way of communication by telephone between the two capitals could be overcome by increasing the thickness of the conducting wire to five millimetres. Both Governments undertook to do this, and the Italian Government has actually done so as far as Turin, and is now carrying the five-millimetre wire to the frontier station of Modena. Meanwhile trials are to be made in communicating by the five-millimetre Italian and the four-millimetre French wire.

THE RICHARDSON HOCKEY TOURNAMENT.

114TH MAHRATTAS VS. 82ND PUNJABIS.

A SECOND TIE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, DEC. 7

The tie between the 82nd Punjabis and the 114th Mahrattas was played off this evening and resulted again in a similar result. Before the game commenced a large and fashionable crowd had gathered, amongst whom were General and Mrs. Richardson. The game began shortly after 4-30, For the first few minutes, play was up and down. The Punjabis got hold of the ball and drove it to the net, but the Mahrattas' goal-keeper ably saved. Afterwards the Mahrattas' forwards got possession of the ball and drove a straight one to the posts and notched the first goal amidst loud applause. After this, both the sides played an up and down game till the whistle sounded half time. After an interval the Mahrattas were again well to the front, but both were making a good defence. The Punjabis were again hard pressed in their quarter as the Mahrattas made a stubborn attack. Unfortunately one of European officers of the Punjabis was badly cut near the eye. Play was suspended for a few minutes. On resuming the Mahrattas were tackling quickly again when one of their forwards who had a good opportunity sent the ball wide. The Punjabis got away with the ball and scored a goal for their side. At this period, the game was very exciting. Extra ten minutes were given with no result. The tie will be played again to-morrow evening.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC 7.

Lieut. Graham, Manchester Regiment, is posted to the Eastern Command for appointment to the Indian Army.

Lieut. Hayes-Sadler, 7th Gurkha Rifles, has been selected for appointment as Aide-de-Camp to the Commissioner of British East Africa.

Major Wallace, 2nd Suffolk Regiment, has been selected for appointment as Inspector of Small Arms at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, and is ordered home.

Captain Nesbit, Gloucestershire Regiment, is appointed temporarily to the Army Clothing department as an Assistant Superintendent.

WESTERN COMMAND.

Divisional Staff.—Captain B. T. Ready, 2nd Battalion, Welsh Regiment, to be Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, 4th (Quetta) Division, vice Major J. O'B. Minogue, West Yorkshire Regiment, vacated. Dated 24th November.

Mounted Infantry Staff.—Captain B. F. R. Holbrooke, 124th Baluchistan Infantry, to officiate as Commandant, Mounted Infantry School, Poona, vice Major T. P. England, Royal Fusiliers, proceeded on leave or until further orders. Dated 7th October.

Lieutenant J. R. Leader, 2nd Battalion, Connaught Rangers, to officiate as Aisistant Commandant, Mounted Infantry School, Poona, vice Captain B. F. R. Holbrooke, 124th Baluchistan Infantry appointed to officiate as Commandant. Dated 3rd November.

28th Light Cavalry.—2nd-Lieutenant F. James, Unattached List, to be Officiating Squadron Officer. Dated 14th, November.

38th Central India Horse.—Captain J. C. D. Pinney, to officiate as 2nd-in-Command during the absence on leave, out of India, of Major A. P. Browne, or until further orders.

12th Pioneers (The Kelat-i-Ghilzai Regiment).—2nd-Lieutenant S. G. C. Murray, Unattached List, to be Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 13th November.

94th Russell's Infantry.—Lieutenant O. H. C. Molony, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, attached 2nd Battalion, Prince of Wales' Own (Yorkshire Regiment), a candidate for the Indian Army, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 21st November.

101st Grenadiers.—Lieutenant S. J. G. Beaumont, Cheshire Regiment, attached 1st Battalion, Dorsetshire Regiment, a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 23rd November.

107th Pioneers.—Lieutenant W. P. M. D. McLaughlin, Double Company Officer, 125th Rifles, is transferred in the same capacity, vice Captain E. N. Heale, transferred to the 121st Pioneers as 3rd Double Company Commander.

108th Infantry.—Captain M. T. Elderton, to be Officiating 2nd-in-Command, during the absence on leave of Major E. Saulez, or until further orders.

109th Infantry.—Lieutenant C. P. Paige, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, attached 1st Battalion, The Cameronians (Scottish Rifles), a candidate for the Indian Army, to be a Double Company Officer. Dated 30th September.

120th Rajputana Infantry.—2nd-Lieutenant E. J. Cumming, Unattached List, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 20th November.

121st Pioneers.—Captain E. N. Heale, Double Company Officer, 107th Pioneers, is transferred as 3rd Double Company Commander, vice Major A. H. D. Creagh, 12 st Pioneers, transferred to the 107th Pioneers as 2nd Double Company Commander.

122nd Rajputana Infantary.—2nd-Lieutenant G. de S. H. Middlemass, Unattached List, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 21st November.

123rd Outram's Rifles.—Captain R. W. C. Blair to be pro tem. 3rd Double Company Commander, Captain M. E. L. Bruce, to be pro tem. 4th Double Company Commander but to remain seconded, and Captain B. G. B. Kidd, to be pro tem. 4th Double Company Commander, vice Captain C. J. Cumberlege, seconded. Dated 3rd November.

2nd-Lieutenant R. Tilly, Unattached List, to be an Officiating Double Company Officer. Dated 14th November.

Indian Subordinate Medical Department.—1st Class Assistant Surgeon A. G. Cazalett, I. S. M. D., to the sub-medical charge of Station Hospital, Purandhur.

1st Class Assistant Surgeon L.G. Quadros, I. S. M. D., to the sub-medical charge of Station Hospital, Belgaum.

4th Class Assistant Surgeon W. E. Cody, I.S.M.D. for duty in the Royal Indian Marine.

The undermentioned Officers have been permitted to return to duty:—Lieutenant A. B. Harley, The Buffs, attached 2nd Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, Lieutenant C. F. Knaggs, 3rd Skinner's Horse, Lieutenant A. M. Mills, 18th Tiwana, Lancers, Captain S. A. Cooke, 38th Central India Horse, Captain W. Bovet, Royal Engineers, 3rd Sappers and Miners, Lieutenant-Colonel T. Jermyn, 74th Punjabis, Captain F. F. Major, 94th Russell's Infantry. Major F. R. E. Lock, 102nd Prince of Wales' Own Grenediers. Lieutenant-Colonel P. J. H. Aplin, D. S. O., 107th Pioneers and Lieutenant A. E. R. Sargent, 120th Rajputana Infantry.

ARRIVALS, DEC. 6.

Lt J R Stewart, 37th Lancers, proceeding home from Loralai.

Lt A E Scott, 37th Lancers, proceeding home from Loralai.

Major C G Oldfield, R A, from leave, from Belgaum.

Capt A F C Williams, 31st Lancers on furlough from Deesa.

Major P de H Smith, C I Horse, on leave, from Secunderabad.

Lt A S Meek, 81st Pioners proceeding to Aden from Bangalore.

Lt G W Bond, R War Regt on leave from Quetta.

Capt A Armstrong, Wilts Regt on duty, from Rawal Pindi.

Capt A Moore, 66th Punj, on leave from Malakhand.

DEPARTURES DEC 6.

Lt P E B Cooke, Bedford Regt, on duty to Deolali.

Lt T A Story, R Sussex Regt to join to Solon.

Lt Davis E Surrey Regt from leave, to Sitapur.

NEW SHERIFF OF BOMBAY.

APPOINTMENT OF KHAN BAHADUR M. C. MURZBAN, C.I.E.

THERE will be general satisfaction at the appointment of Khan Bahadur, M. C. Murzban, C.I.E., as the new Sheriff of Bombay, as announced in yesterday's "Government Gazette." He has behind him a magnificent record of work, not only for the Municipality but for the Bombay Government, and the appointment is worthy recognition of his great zeal and organizing activity. His genius as an organizer of public displays and shows, whether industrial, charitable, or for the general public entertainment, has been repeatedly demonstrated especially planning and supervising the construction of the Bombay Industrial Exhibition and the People's Fair.

Mr. Murzban was born on the 7th July, 1839, and received his early education in the Elphinstone Institute and the Poona College, now known as the Deccan College. After completing his school training Mr. Murzban, at the age of 18 years, passed the examination necessary for admission to the Public Works Department. In 1863 he was appointed by Government to be Chief Assistant to Mr. James Trubshawe in the removal of the old Portuguese ramparts, and two years later was appointed Special and Chief Assistant to the late General J. A. Fuller, R. E., C. I. E., in the architectural improvement of the City of Bombay. In 1866 his services were transferred to the Executive Engineer's Department, Bombay Defences, and in 1872 he was elevated to the second grade on the ground of special merit. In 1875 Mr. Murzban was made a Fellow of the Bombay University, and acted as Grand Warden to the King Emperor on the occasion of his laying the foundation stone of the Prince's Dock. In 1877 he was appointed Executive Engineer, Presidency, and in that capacity did much useful service. In 1884 he was made a Government representative of the International Exhibition scheme, and in the following year was appointed to act as Architectural Executive Engineer and Surveyor to Government in addition to his own duties. In 1890 Mr. Murzban was made the President of the Bombay Municipal Corporation and in recognition of his various public services he was made a Companion of Order of the Indian Empire.

In 1892 Khan Bahadur Murzban was appointed Executive Engineer of the Bombay Municipality, and in that capacity he was called upon to carry out works of great magnitude, requiring the highest skill and tact. In his appointment as Executive Engineer of the Municipality, the City found in Mr. Murzban not only a city engineer of the highest order, but an energetic public citizen, and in the reclamation, sanitation, architectural improvement of the city, the laying out of the streets, the disposal of sewage and other works he worked hard and gave satisfaction to all communities. Mr Murzban retired from Municipal service in 1903, and has since been devoting his energies in the cause of charity and the good of his community.

MEET OF THE BOMBAY HUNT.

OPENING OF THE SEASON.

THE Bombay Foxhounds opened the season yesterday morning with an excellent run of some thirty-five minutes over some of the best of the Salsette country with plenty of good lepping and a kill to crown the morning's work on the grassy summit of the Powai Hills. The opening meet was, according to custom at the Jackal Club, and the Master had out eighteen couple of hounds, all of which looked in excellent condition and ready and eager for work. The morning's performance justified their appearance, as finding on the outskirts of Parla village, they carried the line with cheery chorus over a bit of melon ground towards Caleena tank, where they turned off to the right towards the Flats. Luckily, the jackal was here headed back, and the hounds, notwithstanding a somewhat bad scent, were soon in pursuit again and led the chase across the Backwater and over the Coorla road and the valley beyond into the Powai Hills, and eventually, after breasting the grass covered gorge between these hills, opposite the Horse Shoe Valley, ran down on the hill-side, where their first kill in India was recorded for the new pack. Amongst those at the finish, out of the field of some forty-five who gathered at the Jakal Club, was H. E. the Governor, who received the brush. It speaks well for the hounds and the care bestowed upon them by the Huntsman, Charles Payne, that they were all up at the finish and seemed none the worse for the morning's work. The next meet is at Sahar Hill on Sunday.

LORD ROBERTS' PLANS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—It has occurred to me that Lord Roberts with his great influence and popularity should be able to raise the sinews of war for a prolonged Campaign in the United Kingdom, India, and the Colonies in favour of universal military training. Of course, it would hardly be possible for one man, no matter how great and influential, to conduct such a campaign single handed with any measure of success, but if a sufficient sum were raised in the United Kingdom and Colonies by public subscription to defray the travelling expenses and salaries of a number of specially selected military lecturers, say for a couple of years, we should soon be in a position to know whether it would be possible to awaken the Empire to a sense of the danger of allowing the existing state of things to last. To Lord Roberts could safely be left the initiatory step of raising sufficient money for this purpose and, that accomplished, who will deny that with lecturers of his choosing the proposed scheme would not have as great a chance of success as any other that might be tried? The good effect of a short series of lectures by military officers who thoroughly understood their subject at all the schools and colleges throughout the Empire would not be thrown away and would instil a patriotism which nowadays is sadly lacking in educational institutions. Appealed to in the right way the youth of the Empire would not fail to respond to such a pressing call as universal military training, that is to say, once they had thoroughly grasped the danger of the present system which, in the case of schoolboys especially, could only be through the medium of lectures delivered by well-known military officers.—Yours &c,

CIVICUS.

ROUND THE WORLD MOTORISTS.

MR. AND MRS. GLIDDEN with their "Napier" Car left Bombay, en-route to Peshawar, on the 6th inst., and had a successful run to Nasik, making their mileage in India to date 664. Mr. Glidden describes the run from Bombay to Nasik as pleasant, and states that he has already come across one leopard and three cobras.

They arrived at Dhulia, after an exciting experience in passing the river "Kadva," 14 miles from Nasik. The Car stuck in the river, while trying to ford, and a 100 coolies had to be secured to pull it out. The Car was fortunately undamaged, and proceeded to Dhulia without further mishap. Mr. and Mrs. Glidden proceed to-day to Indore.

ARRIVAL OF A PORTUGUESE CRUISER.

The Portuguese cruiser St. Gabriel under the Command of Captain J. A. F. Pereira de Mello, arrived here yesterday from Goa for repairs. On her entering the port, the Portuguese gun-boat Sado, which is now lying in the Channel, fired the usual salute.

NOTES FROM PARIS.

L. C. C. in the French Capital.

THE APACHES: THE HOOLIGANS OF PARIS.

FRENCH VIEW OF ANGLO-RUSSIAN ENTENTE.

PARIS, NOV. 17.

ST. MARTIN'S has been conspicuous by its absence this year, and there has been a deplorable succession of wet days, accompanied, as the Parisians love to say, facetiously, with a little of the fog of the Entente Cordiale. It has not been sufficient, however, to obscure the "good understanding," more than ever understood after yesterday's charming episode in the Hotel de Ville, when a portion of the Victory was handed over to the town of Paris. It is certain that this city will well maintain its reputation for hospitality when the London County Councillors descend upon its shores. The amiable precedent set by the representatives of Spring Gardens of entertaining the City's guests in their own homes will not be followed here, for, to let the reader into a secret, this is a land of no spare bedrooms. But the visitors will be worthily installed in one of the great hotels. Two or three floors will be retained for their especial use, and they will find drawing-rooms, a smoking-room, library, and writing-rooms at their exclusive disposal. The municipality has conceived its role of host in the most liberal sense, and large credits will be devoted to the purposes of entertainment. The larger part of the programme will, of course, concern itself with questions of civic government. The Councillors will be shown the economy of Paris: its tramway system, its methods of sewage-disposal, its schools, its abattoirs, and the hundred directions in which civic money and civic enterprise are invested; but recreation will be mingled with instruction in pleasantly large doses. After a visit to underground Paris and the somewhat sordid realities of the Halles, the elected of the County of London will gaze upon the splendours of the Opera, and will listen with enchanted ears to the rendering of a special programme. There will be very few dull moments in the visit of the L.C.C.

On the official side, will be a visit to the Elysee and a reception by Sir Francis Bertie at the splendidly renovated British Embassy in the Faubourg St. Honore. It is certain that, in both places, the visitors will receive a warm welcome. The President of the republic will almost have reached the limit of his office in January, and I imagine that this reception of the English Councillors will be one of his last public acts. It is almost unnecessary to say how firm an advocate is the Chief Magistrate of the Entente Cordiale. It stands printed in many of his speeches, and is no less eloquently borne witness to by a hundred acts of consideration. There is every reason to believe that the L.C.C. week in Paris will be remarkable politically as well as socially.

The strike in the naval dockyards, which appears at this moment to have only a partial character, has painfully impressed public opinion. It is held that the Government has been much too lenient in its action, and that prompt and severe measures ought to have been taken at the very outset. "If twelve of the ringleaders had been discharged or otherwise dealt with," remarked an influential politician to me, to-day, "the movement would, in my opinion, have been stamped out. Instead of that, the authorities have coquetted with revolution, and they have reaped the consequences of their action." The most unfortunate effect is certain to follow from the widespread nature of the strike moment. Already one hears that the prosperity of the ports, none too brilliant during the past few years, will be grievously crippled. As to the work carried on in the arsenals, it is notorious that the Government employe is the spoiled child of the industrial market. His pay is not equal, certainly, to that of the civil establishments, neither is his output. The system upon which the arsenals are conducted, may, indeed, be said to be a lesson in false economy. The pence of the taxpayers is saved in salaries, but their pounds are squandered in dilatory and wasteful methods.

It is, perhaps, with some forlorn idea of keeping up their spirits this dull weather that people have recommenced their talk of the Apaches. That talk is reminiscent rather than prospective, for the feeling is strong in the bosom of the Parisian that the days of his worst trials are over. The police—that is, the wheeled section of them—are about to be increased. Henceforward we may sleep at nights without dreaming of being held up in solitary streets, and return home late without experiencing the cold reality of the marauder's knife. It is the thought of this immunity from the Apache that makes the Parisian smile even through the fog and the rain. He has a touching confidence, which I hope is justified in those three hundred policemen. Hitherto the terror of the "Black Band" has been almost as great by the Seine as by the Moskowa. The peril of the Apache was becoming a serious embarrassment to hostesses. If you happened to live in a quarter of the town where the Apache roamed at night, then you were practically isolated, because no one durst visit you. I am purposely employing the preterite, since the three hundred are coming. No party given in a house away from the central regions was able to prolong itself into the small hours. House rent grew fabulous in the neighbourhood of the Presidential Palace, for the timorous reasoned that the Apaches would surely not waylay the Chief of the Republic.

Meanwhile balls and dinners and receptions could not be quite suspended, even though the night sportsmen were making great bags in the outlying parts of the city, with an occasional shoot in the covers of the boulevards themselves. And so hostesses were hard put to it to get their guests comfortably home. Generally, there were not beds enough to go round, and, moreover, an absence of that sort can be so ill-construed in this city of the concierge! When, at the end of bridge—for even bridge must have an ending—the cry "Who goes home" rang through the house, it had a closer actual significance than the old familiar rally of the Palace of Westminster. It meant that timorous youths and maidens, and even seasoned age, felt the need of protection against the scalping propensities of the roving red man. I have heard that some hospitable householders thought of establishing a sort of char-a-banc service a la Cook for the benefit of their guests. Failing that, there was an idea to mobilise the police at the ratio of two per "invite" so as to fend off the attacks of the enemy and at least raise barricades in the street pending the arrival of help.

One of the most enterprising notions was to form a society for the protection of late home-goers. I do not know quite how it was to be managed; whether each member would wear a special button and swear to be avenged of his fellow's death, but a widespread organization amongst the festive would have given the streets a picturesque appearance at night. Imagine, for instance, gentlemen in evening dress, their waists engirdled with revolvers and their hatbands decorated with catridges, having, in their midst, the ladies of the party. It would be still more impressive if the procession, front and rear, were closed with cannon. But the need no longer exists for these extreme measures. We are saved by the cycle brigade, which is to be reinforced to six hundred. Gallant six hundred! prepared to ride into the jaws of death; into the band of the Apaches. Happy Paris in thus ridding itself of the Black Terror.

The action of Germany in refusing to take part in the naval demonstration in Turkish waters has astonished no one here familiar with Teutonic intrigues in the Sultan's dominions. Germany has too many interests at stake in the shape of political privileges, such as the training of Turkish soldiers by German military officers, and solid advantages, such as mining and railway concessions, to make any open breach with the Sultan merely to support the facade of a European concert. Most of the political writers, to-day, give Abdul Hamid credit for sufficient sagacity to see through the hollowness of the demonstration in the present circumstances. There is not only the marked abstention of Germany, but also the fact that the combined fleet of the Powers will be in command of an Austrian Admiral, whose

country, certainly, has no interest in the dismemberment of Turkey. Germany is considered to have received a severe rebuff in the election of Prince Charles of Denmark to the throne of Norway, and the event is naturally regarded as a new triumph for Lord Lansdowne. It is felt that, with the known predilection of the Crown Prince of Denmark for all things English, the interests of Great Britain are safe in Scandinavia for some years to come. Had the election gone in the way that Germany intended, the Baltic would have become to all intents German lake. I observe a carping spirit in some quarters as to the manner of the appeal to the Norwegian people. If say these critics, "the issue had been fairly put, as between a Republic or a Monarchy, the inhabitants would have voted for a Republic. Instead of them being given a free choice the affair was cut and-dried."

The news of negotiations between England and Russia, which still stand good, notwithstanding the denials, has, of course, awakened considerable interest here. People are not slow to see the double advantage of a sop to Cerberus, the strengthening of the political utility of the Entente, and a further check to trans-Rhenal ambitions. With Russia established at Constantinople a barrier would be offered to any advance to that direction. The French people are under the influence of an anæsthetic, "was the remark of a financier to me this afternoon, on the subject of Russia and her finances. Really we have seen so much, that nothing is able to disturb us now, short, of course, of a violent end to the dynasty and real revolution established in the capitals." It is because it is habituated that the Bourse pays very little heed to the worst news from Kronstadt and St, Petersburg. As long as the interest on the coupons is paid the mass of the French people remain quiet, professing to see in this present movement rather an inter-racial war than an organized and reasoned march towards a new regime. The instantaneous response to the call for a strike in St. Petersburg is calculated to shake that optimism, but there is, apparently, unlimited faith in the man behind the guns. The real difficulty of the situation is that there is none to give a proper expression to the cry for a Constitution. In that sense this struggle between power and the people has little analogy with the French Revolution.

At the same time, it is possible to draw some comparison between the dockyard strike here and the sanguinary outbreaks in various Russian centres. At Brest, for instance, the "milieu" of the strike is not so far removed from that of the Russia of to-day. The Breton is hardly more advanced than the Slav in his reasoning powers, and his head once full of an idea to the exclusion of all other ideas, he is capable of great absurdities. Furthermore, his tendency to immoderate drinking makes him a person somewhat difficult to deal with—just like his Russian cousin. It is a common doctrine of the Socialists that the world is moving towards the abolition of barriers. It is a phrase constantly in the mouth of M. Herve and his friends. Just the contrary is taking place. Finland and Poland (Russian and German are moving to re-establish their ancient boundaries; the Balkan States never cease to agitate in that direction, and, finally, there is the example of Sweden and Norway in a sense directly opposed to this great centralisation of which we here so much.

£6,000 WORTH STOLEN FROM MRS. PRINSEP.

BURGLARS visited the house of Mrs. Val Prinsep, widow of the late R. A., in Holland Park-road Kensington. They took jewels valued at nearly £6,000. The men entered the house soon after seven o'clock in the evening when the family were at dinner. Gaining access by the garden at the back, the thieves planted a ladder against the window of Mrs. Val Prinsep's dressing-room, and forcing back the catch climbed across the dressing-table into the room. The thieves rummaged boxes and drawers to seek for valuables, and had extended their search to Mrs. Val Prinsep's bedroom. A jewel-case which they found there was forced open and the contents were appropriated, and the thieves made a hasty exit. They left the window open and the ladder in position. The discovery of what had occurred was made by one of the servants, who went upstairs shortly after eight o'clock.

The household was at once alarmed and the police were promptly informed. Meanwhile, an investigation of the dressing-room and bedrooms revealed the serious extent of the loss which had been suffered. Amongst the articles were several diamond ornaments, a valuable presentation diamond clasp, a rope of pearls and several gold brooches and rings.

Detectives were on the scene early next morning making a careful inspection of the grounds and the back of the premises with a view to discovering any traces which might prove of value as clues. From the marks they found that the burglars had approached the house in the manner stated. Footprints in the gravel and across the lawn showed that they had scaled a low wall in Melbury-road, and had thence made their way across the gardens of several houses to that of Mrs. Prinsep. Owing to the recent rains the ground was very soft, and several of the footprints discovered were very clearly defined.

GREECE PROGRESSING.

NOTWITHSTANDING the recent disastrous war with the Turks, Greece is going ahead very rapidly The mercantile marine is superior to that of Russia. Every sailor has an interest in the cargo of the vessel on which he is employed. And all classes are remarkable for their enterprise. At the University of Athens there are many students who work half the night at some handicraft to enable them to pursue their studies by day.

In connexion with the visit of the King of Greece to England, it is interesting to recall, says the "Westminster," that the present Earl of Derby might to-day have been King of Greece had his father accepted the offer of that throne. After the Independence of Greece was declared the choice of the nation fell unanimously upon Queen Victoria's second son, Prince Alfred, afterwards known as Duke of Edinburgh, and later as Duke of Saxe-Coburg. He, however declined the offer. Then the people, balked in their desire of an English prince turned to an English statesman—Lord Derby's son then Lord Stanley and heir to the Derby earldom. "It is a dazzling adventure," wrote Disraeli to a friend, "for the house of Stanley; but they are not an imaginative race, and I fancy they will prefer Knowsley to the Parthenon and Lancashire to the Attic plains. It is a privilege to live in this age of rapid and brilliant events. It is one of infinite romance Thrones tumble down and crowns are offered like a fairy-tale. I think Lord Stanley ought to take the crown, but he will not. Had I his youth, I would not hesitate, even with the earldom of Derby in the distance."

INCIDENT IN THE BOIS DE BOULOGNE.

The "Matin" relates a curious incident which occurred in the Bois de Boulogne between General Brugere, Vice-President of the Council of War, Generalissimo of the French Army, and General Percin, a former Chief of Cabinet under General Andre, when Minister for War. The two Generals met in the Bois and General Percin saluted his superior, who was riding on horseback. The latter, however, took no notice of the salute. Approaching the Generalissimo General Percin said: "General, I saluted you; I want you to reply to my salute." "I didn't see you," answered General Brugere, at the same time telling General Percin to leave him. The latter went, but at once wrote to the Minister for War, asking whether he should fight or whether the Minister would take up the matter as a question of discipline. It is recalled that when under General Andre, General Percin was accused of spying at the Ministry and protecting officers accused of informing. The Minister for War forwarded General Percin's letter to General Brugere with a request for an explanation. The "Petite Republique," in describing the affair, says that General Brugere did not return General Percin's salute, and when General Percin spoke to him about it he persisted in his refusal.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth! Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs Winslows Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It sooths the child, softens the gums, alleys pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething, or other causes, Mrs Winslow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

The Hon. Mr. Basil Scott, B. A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, is to act as a Judge of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature at Bombay, with effect from the 5th December, during the absence on leave of the Honourable Mr. Justice Badrudin Tyabji, Barrister-at-Law, or pending further orders.

Khan Bahadur Muncherji Kavasji Murzban, C. I. E., A. M. I. C. E., to be Sheriff of Bombay, for the ensuing year, to be computed from the 20th December, in succession to Sir Sassoon J. David.

Mr. E. B. Raikes, Barrister-at-Law, to act as Advocate-General, Bombay, vice the Honourable Mr. Basil Scott, B.A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, pending further orders.

Mr. H. O. Quin, I.C.S, to be on special duty in the Political Department of the Secretariat with effect from 29th November, pending further orders.

Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. O'Donnell, Political Agent, Third Grade, is allowed one day's extension of the furlough granted to him dated the 3rd June.

Mr. P. O'Brien, Probationary Third Grade Assistant Superintendent of Police, Karachi, passed on the 25th September, an examination in Sindhi.

Mr. A. F. Gonsalves, L.C.E., Extra Assistant Conservator of Forests, Fourth Grade and Sub-Divisional Forest Officer, Satara, passed with credit on 27th September, an examination in subjects prescribed for the examination of officers of the Forest Department.

Mr. H. L. Painter, B. A. (Oxon.), I. C. S., to be Assistant Collector, Dharwar.

Mr. J. Monteath, B. A. (Cantab.), I. C. S., to be Second Assistant to the Collector Land Revenue, Customs and Opium, Bombay, and Chief Inspector of Factories, vice Mr. H. L. Painter, I. C. S.

The Reverend Canon F. N. Hill is granted furlough for one year, ten months and eleven days with effect from the 5th January 1906, in combination with such privilege leave as may be due to him.

Robert Hessey, gentleman, to be Quarter Master with the Honorary rank of Lieutenant to fill an existing vacancy with effect from 21st November.

Lieutenant S. E. Anastasiadi, Sind Volunteer Corps, is granted general leave from 27th November to 26th November 1906, to England.

Mr. J. R. Carpenter, Inspector of Steam Boilers and Prime Movers, has been allowed privilege leave for one month with effect from the 27th November.

Mr. G. Wittet has been appointed as a Temporary Assistant Architect under covenant for employment under the Consulting Architect to the Government of Bombay. He joined his duties on 22nd October.

The following promotions are ordered in the Engineer Establishment:—Mr. R. T. Harrison, from Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Acting Executive Engineer, to Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, and Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, temporary, from 4th October; Mr. F. Wright, from Executive Engineer, 2nd Grade, permanent, to Executive Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, from 1st November; and Mr. R. F. Bhathena, from Assistant Engineer, 2nd Grade, permanent, to Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, permanent, from 1st November.

MOTOR CAR ACCIDENT AT THANA.

BOY SERIOUSLY INJURED.

A serious motor car accident occurred on Sunday evening at Thana between Mumbra and Parsic. The road here runs between the railway line on one side and the Thana creek on the other and is so narrow that only two carriges can pass at a time. Mr. Nassarwanji J. Dady, of Bombay, who was on a trip from Poona to Bombay in his motor car with Mr. Pestonji H. J. Rustamji and was driving along the road when he saw a bullock cart standing in the road. In order to warn the driver of the cart, he blew his horn and swerved the car to the right with a view to clearing the cart. But as the car approached Mr. Dady saw a boy emerge from behind and run across his path. He tried to pull up but before he could do so the boy was knocked down and one of the wheels passed over his left leg. Before the car came to a standstill it ran against a loose pile of stones and had a narrow escape of being precipitated into the creek. The car was somewhat damaged and the injured boy was removed to the Civil Hospital at Thana in Mr. Picad's car, which arrived on the scene of the accident a few minutes afterwards. The boy's leg had to be amputated, but he is now reported to be out of danger.

NAGPUR NOTES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

NAGPUR, DEC. 5.

ALTHOUGH plague was rife in many of the districts and towns in the Central Provinces, yet till the beginning of November, it did not make its appearance in Nagpur. A few imported cases had taken place in the city. But since the beginning of the cold season many cases have occurred in the city and in Seetabuldi. At present the daily number of cases is very small; but it is feared that it will soon be playing havoc, as it has been in many districts and towns in the C. P. The plague statistics during the week ending with the 11th November show 110 attacks and 104 deaths in the C.P., and 192 attacks and 153 deaths in Berar.

It is reported that the Civil Station Sub-Committe have accepted the offer of the services of Mr. R. W. Johnson Superintendent, Revenue Secretariat, in connection with the improvement of the Nagpur Museum garden. Two years ago the Sub-Committee had sanctioned a sum of Rs. 800 for the improvement of the garden, but nothing has yet been done in that direction. Mr. Johnson is a good hand at gardening and it is hoped that under his supervision the garden will look up.

The proposed construction of the Gondia to Chanda line has drawn a large number of Railway contractors to Nagpur. Most of them are Kachis, and the Bengal Nagpur-Railway officers bungalow is daily besieged by these men.

A new appointment of Assistant-Surgeon has been sanctioned for Nagpur, and Mr. D. John M.B., of Calcutta, has been appointed to it.

The weather has been cloudy and cold throughout the week, but no rain has fallen. Fevers, colds and coughs are the prevailing complaints.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m, yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	1	0	6
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	15
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	1	1	11
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	11
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	15
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	8
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	9
Total	2	1	80
Total plague deaths to date	304,803	220,316	
Same date last year	11	13	115

HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT. The most effectual Cure for Gout and Rheumatism. A frequent cause of these is the inflammatory state of the blood, attended with bad digestion, lassitude and great debility, showing the want of a proper circulation of the fluid, and that impurity, of the blood greatly aggravates these disorders. Holloway's Pills are of so purifying a nature that a few doses taken in time are effectual preventive against gout and rheumatism, but anyone that has an attack of either should use Holloway's Ointment also, which must be thoroughly rubbed into the parts affected at last twice a day, after they have been sufficiently fomented with warm water to open the pores.

FIFTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Aston presided at a sitting of the Sessions Court, yesterday; and the trial of the following case was resumed before his Lordship and a special jury.

ALLEGED MURDER OF A PATHAN.

Kalifa Rassool, a Pathan, was charged with causing the death of Deenshah Meershah, another Pathan, on the night of the 27th November last, in a house in Koombharwada, by stabbing him with a knife. Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Lang, instructed by Mr. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, appeared for the Crown, which Mr. Rustom Wadia, defended the accused. The following gentlemen were called upon the

SPECIAL JURY.

Mr. R. G. Monteath, Foreman.

Mr. Mahomed H. Lalji.	Mr. J. H. Gray.
Mr. Keshavdas Gokaldas.	Mr. W. Priestley
Mr. A. B. Price,	Mr. C. B. Robinson.
Mr. Jaibhai D. Bharda.	Mr. G. A. Primmer.

Further evidence was called for the prosecution. Saiyad Akmat Vullee Mahomed, a sea-faring man, said, he lived with Noor Allah, at Pathanwady, which is the same as Koombharwada. On the day of the murder, Deenshah came there about 8 p.m. with six or seven other men, among whom was the accused. The latter put a lamp on the mat on the floor, and four of them, including the accused and the deceased, began to play at cards, two by two. The accused said he won the game; on the other hand, the deceased said he had won it. The deceased abused the accused, and the latter abused him in return. They then got up, took hold of each other, and struggled; and the accused struck the deceased with a knife. The latter became unconscious through loss of blood, and died on the way to the hospital. The knife was found on the ground floor of the house afterwards.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wadia, witness said the deceased smelt strongly of liquor, and witness told the Coroner so. He did not hear the deceased use the word "soover" to Noor Allah. The latter did not keep a gambling house. People came there to play at cards about once a week. The deceased did not demand a rupee from Noor Allah. They were playing half an hour before the quarrel began. Noor Allah did not demand two pice, and the deceased did not threaten to strike him. Witness did not notice the accused take out or open the knife. The deceased did not attempt to throttle the accused before the latter struck him. Witness did not see them separated from each other by anybody. Of the two knives produced in Court, witness could not say which was the one found by the police. He saw a policeman pick it up from the ground. It was then closed. Witness could not say who extracted the knife from the wound, nor whether it had any blood stains on it.

In answer to Mr. Kirkpatrick, witness said there was no other quarrel in the house, that day besides the one between the accused and the deceased.

At the close of the case for the prosecution, Mr. Wadia addressed the jury for the defence, and after his lordship had summed up the whole case, the jury returned a verdict of culpable homicide not amounting to murder. His lordship sentenced the the accused to five years' rigorous imprisonment.

The fifth Criminal Sessions were dissolved at 6-30 p. m.

THE COLLISION AT THE PRINCE'S DOCK.

CONTINUED MARINE COURT INQUIRY.

CHARGE AGAINST THE CHIEF ENGINEER.

THE Marine Court formed to enquire into the circumstances which led the s. s. "Pandit," of the Asiatic Steam Navigation Company, to collide with the wall of the Prince's Dock, when entering the dock on the 22nd of November last, sat again yesterday, when the evidence, of several further witnesses, was taken. At the conclusion of the enquiry, Mr. F. Nicholson, Government Solicitor, said there were two points for them to consider, (1) whether the engines, or (2) whether the anchors, worked properly. As regarded the working of the anchors, he did not anticipate that the Court would think, that there was anyone whose certificate ought to be interfered with, although there might have been some slight delay in dropping the port anchor. As regarded the subject of the charges it was not necessary that the Court should necessarily interfere with the certificate of any officer, but might admonish some one or make necessary remarks on the conduct of such a person. The question, however, that came before them, was whether any sufficient evidence was before the Court to enable it to frame any charge against any specific officer so as to touch his certificate. The evidence only showed that there was something wrong in the engine room, and there could be no better evidence of the fact than the statement of the Chief Engineer himself, that he had to go down from his position on the top platform to the engine room. That fact showed that there was something wrong there, and that some order had not been carried out. But he could not find that evidence pointed to any particular officer in the engine room having made a mistake sufficiently careless in character as to necessitate interference with his certificate. As to the pilot, nothing could be suggested against him as he seemed to have handled his vessel with prudence.

The Court then framed a charge against the Chief Engineer of the s.s. "Pandit" to the effect that he committed a wrongful act, in that, he failed to see that the order "full-speed astern," transmitted through the telegraph, has carried out in a prompt and efficient manner and that thereby he caused a serious damage to be done to the vessel.

Further enquiry then stood adjourned till this afternoon.

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MISSING MS. FOUND.

STRANGE RECOVERY AT GRAY'S INN.

THAT which was lost is found. The priceless MS. Super Cantica Canticorum, which had been missing since May from the library of Gray's Inn, was discovered on the 9th of November under circumstances which are taken to indicate that the motive for its disappearance was not a desire for realising its worth in money. The Commissioner of Metropolitan Police issued a notice on the 8th offering a reward of £100 for its recovery, the intimation also announcing the loss of a second book, entitled The Maske of Flowers, which has not yet been recovered. The next afternoon a workman engaged upon the building of the new Common Room in South-square, which is surrounded by a hoarding, and is quite apart from the hall and the library, found the MS, neatly wrapped up in a newspaper. The workman was altogether unaware of the nature of his discovery, but the news quickly reached the ears of the steward of the Inn, and the recovery of the volume gave the utmost satisfaction to the officials. An examination showed that the MS, had not suffered in any way and if the parcel was placed amongst the building debris on the Wednesday evening, as is supposed, it is fortunate that the night was comparatively fine, or the MS. would certainly have been ruined. The officials at the hall have no theory as to the loss or its recovery; but if some conscience-stricken borrower has taken this means of making good the loss they hope that the other volume may be returned in a safer way. "The Maske of Flowers" was purchased for a few pounds about twenty years ago, and its detention appears peculiar when contrasted with the return of a much more valuable book.—"Westminster."

HIGH COURT.—December 8.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE CHANDAVARKAR.)

Petition for hearing.

E F Nicholson for Government—In the matter of the Land Acq Act of 1894 and cause in the matter of Government Rustumji Byramji Jijibhoy and Sorabji Cawasji Sedia—Cragie L and O

E F Nicholson for Government In the matter of the Land acquitted Act I of 1894 cause in the matter of Government and Sheribhai Thaver and others.

For further directions and costs on Commissioner's report.

612-03—Matubhoy J and M—Doolabji Soonderji vs Dayaram Harjiwan and others—Bhaishunker K and G

For hearing exceptions to the special on Commissioner's Special Report.

272-02—Edgelow G and W—Mahomed Ebrahim bin Goolam Hoosein Haindady and others vs Haji Mahomed Ebrahim bin Haji Alaudin Jitaker and others—Crawford B and Co—Mulji and D and Captain and V.

830-01—Bhaishaunker K and G—Sumsoodin Gulamhoosen and others vs Abdoolhoosein Kalumoodin and others—Payne and Co and Little and Co Parthead.

Long Causes.

46-04—Madhavji and K—Luxman alias Lalloo Ramparsad and another vs Devsey Dewjee and others Ardeser H D and Co

636-05—Matubhoy J and M—Partapchand Gulabchband vs Bai Samrath widow Mulji and D—For postponment.

432-05—Jehangir and s Ashidbai widow vs Abdulla Haji Mahomed and others Thakurdas and Co and Captain and V

355-05—Matubhoy J and M—Damji Hirji vs Ruttonbai widow—Captain and V

275-8789-05—Tyabji D and P—HurgawandasHathidas vs Barpoo Bhawoo and others—Chitnis and M

318-10319-05—Dikshit D and S—John Michael Simon vs Adamji Peerbhoy and others—Bicknell M and R

250-02—Dikshit D and S—Kanji Bhanji vs Devram Keshavji—In person

409 04—Ardeshir H D and Co—Karshedjee Beramjee vs Ardeshir Jewanjee and another

753 04—Nadsrshaw and T far pauper—Bhanibai widow vs Veljee Khoda and others—K B Mehta

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BATCHELOR.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

447-05—M R Vakil Abdul Rehman bai Essa vs Pulli—Captain and V

552-04—Captain and V—Thucker Vasanji Herji vs Thucker Damodhar Madhavji and others—Payne and Co

7-349-05—Mulla and M—Haji Noor Mahomed Cassun vs Nowroji Nusservanji and others—M J and G

464-05—J and P Dustur—Phillips Co Limited vs D W Holden and others—Mirza and Co

29-04—Wadia G and Co—Percy Ferdinand Fisher vs Meghji Valabhdas and another Kanga and P.

318-05—Payne and Co—Haji Jan Mahomed Haji Oosman Chatani vs Hormusji Maneckji Mody.

32-03—Tyabji D and Co—Moroba Yadow Joshi vs Dorabji Ardeser Buxy—D and D

442-01—Captain and V—Abdoor Rehman Bhaiji vs Mahomed Yormus Hafy and others—Ardeser H D and Co

151-03—Payne and Co—Kika K usal and another vs Bustomji Ardeser Cooper—Mulla and M

564-03—Matubhoy J and M—Parakh Bhogilal—Purshotamdas vs Chunilal—Umudbhai and others D F D

624-01—P and —Purshotam Harichundra vs Narayen Harichand—Mulji and D

323-04—Tyabji D and Co—Moosabhy Mahomed Sajan vs Yacoobbhoy Mahomed Sajan N H and Co and J D and Co

256-05—Pestonji R and K—Dinshaw Hirjibhoy Malegaumwala vs Dosabhy Shapurji Malegaumwala—E G W and Co—K B Mehta and P R and Koli

485-05—Wadia G and Co—Damodar Vithaldas vs Fulcoorebari widow—Hiralal D

422-05—Craigie L and O—Dadi Nusservanji Dadi vs Hirabai and others P R and K and E G and W

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice SCOTT.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

370-05—A H D and C—Dinbai widow vs Jamsetji Sorabji Enty—Kanga and P

454 05—Chitnis and M—Bapuji Bhawoo vs Hurgovandas Hatidas and another—Tyabji D and Co

456-05—Madhavji and K—Bakessondas Shukissondas and others vs Herji Gholla—Daphtary F and D

402-05—Sorabji and J—Abdool Latiff Haji Mahomad Jitayker vs Abdoor Rahiman bin Abdoor Cader Jitayker and others—Captain T and N H and Co

463-05—Ardesair H D and Co hotalal Mulchund and others vs Vyayashunker Kaledas—Hiralal D

479-05—Inperson Narayen Raghoba vs Chandrabhugabai widow—Chetnis and M.

485-05—Wadia G and Co Damoderdas Vithaldas vs Fulcorebai widow—Heralal D

487 05—K B Mehta—Bapulal Goculdas vs N C Macleod Inperson.

491-05—Captain and V—Chupsey Purbut and others vs Doongersey Poonja and Wadia G and Co

527 05—Thakurdas and Co—Purnanand Ichhalal and Co vs Monsey Versey—Kanga and P

519-05—Madhavji and K—Rupsing Mathuradas Lewji vs Lukhondas Bhimji—M J and H

437-05—J P Dastur—Nawabzada Nasrulakhan and others vs M J Burke Wadia—G and Co

80-05—D D and Soondardas Marate Mohonrao vs Ramchundra Bhawo—K B Mehta

161-05—Mehta and D—Putlabai and Wamonrao Shamrao and others—Shamrao and M

IN pursuance of his warfare against the American Trusts that have invaded his dominions King Dick Seddon intends holding a Congress in Christchurch, New Zealand, at which all concerned in the preservation and prosperity of local industries will be represented. He says he "wants New Zealand to show the world how workers, employers, capitalists, agriculturists, &c, can meet and discuss the situation like sensible men for the good of their common country."

HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

Many people have known of Mrs. Fitzherbert's marriage to George the Fourth. The story is told, for example in the Dictionary of "National Biography," and a note added showing how the deed, with others, came to be deposited with Coutt's. A "life" of Mrs. Fitzherbert, with the true story stated, was published half a century ago; yet it has taken another half-century before Mr. Wilkins has been able to convince us that George the Fourth, in spite of the dictum that the King can do no wrong, was a bigamist. A curious thing is that this open secret, the Coutts s possession of the marriage certificate, is not mentioned, so far as the index shows, in a recent work devoted to the history of this famous bank. The banks all have their secrets. One firm used to preserve a drawerful of papers which would in their day have hanged half the aristocracy. They were the forgeries perpetrated by "bloods" in need of money.

The Royal Family has banked with Coutts' s for generations. Child's Bank was once their favoured repository. Old Robert Child, the head of the firm in 1782, knew from personal experience something of romance. "What would you do if you were in love with a girl whose father would not consent to a marriage?" asked the tenth Lord Westmorland. "Why, run away with her, of course" answered the banker. The nobleman took him at his word, and ran away with the only daughter of the house. The irate father gave chase, but the bridegroom shot dead his leading horse, and made good his escape. Child never forgave them, but left his property to Sarah, their eldest child, And the story is that the young couple christened all their children, boy and girl, Sarah, lest they should, miss the legacy.

Does King Owa, who has a postal address somewhere in the Lagos hinterland, believe in the existence of that divinity which doth hedge a king? It would seem that he does not, for the threat of the British Commissioner to arrest him has caused his Majesty to put out for the woods. Perhaps he had intelligence of the strange adventures of King Temberide, King of the Yaquis, Mexico. This excellent gentleman added to his notoriety by annexing a couple of Mexican explorers, whom, after sentencing to death, he let off with a beating, That prosaic institution, the Supreme Court of Mexico, has no regard for the fitness of things, but sent forth military who roped in the King and all his Court, and brought them captive to Mexico. And a mere judge of that court sent the King to goal for two years and his courtiers with him.

An earthquake, the cynics have said, was needed to awaken the occupants of Mount Athos to spiritual life. An earthquake has come, and the great church of the Russian monastery is shattered. Those that have not visited "the Holy Hill" can scarcely realise that in the twentieth century such a condition of things exists. Here is a monastic republic, consisting of a score of monasteries, with some six thousand monks, enjoying complete autonomy, subject to a Holy Synod, which is subject to the First Man of Athos, who in turn is subject to the Turkish Government, to whom £3500 per year must be paid. That is how the matter stands officially. The monks are supposed to live ascetic lives, to devote themselves to agriculture, be culture, the manufacture of wooden furniture, amulets, and to spoil the Egyptians who visit them in the guise of pilgrims. They have their own market in the peninsula, whether no female biped or quadruped, may go.

Anciently this was a seat of learning, but for long it has been known that slothful ease has killed instruction, that ignorance is rife, that the fine old libraries are neglected, and that few of the resident monks can read such books as are available. Light has been admitted recently by one of the community, who points out that "the Holy Hill" has been converted into a Slav strong-hold and post of observation of Macedonia and the Ægean. Wearers of the monastic habit are in reality soldiers of the Czar. Monks collect their relatives about them and carry on a thriving industry as merchants in a small way, and more commonly as lenders of money at 12 per cent. and upwards. Like the friar of the song they do not disdain good cheer. They hunt in the best of preserves they quaff the finest wines from the most generously supplied cellars. The sight of drunken hunting parties of these easy going "ascetics" is by no means uncommon.

When he decided to quit the army and turn railway president, General Porter, ex-Ambassador for the United States to France, thought that "moving cars would be just as congenial as stopping bullets." The moving of a car different from that originally contemplated has, however, brought him into difficulty in France, where it is proposed to make him pay £120 compensation for the havoc wrought by his chauffeur. It is a ticklish business to attempt this sort of thing with an Ambassador. If he choose to stand upon his rights, the law cannot touch him in ordinary cases. An attache at the British Embassy in Washington recently claimed exemption from penalty for excessively speedy driving in America. Ambassadors are averse to this sort of thing but the right does exist. It is a crime to molest an Ambassador, or any of his entourage.

Sem, the caricaturist, is at this moment at Nice studying the types for his new album of celebrities. It is said that a little tremor passes along the Promenade des Anglais when the spruce form of the doughty little penciller is discerned. Everyone half hopes and half believes that he will figure in the collection—"scorched, of course, in the usual Sem manner. Sem has recently been in London, and of his visit a little story is told. He, was crossing the road near Oxford-street one morning when he was accosted by an English domestic servant. I do not speak English, said Sem, in his native idiom, tinged with the accent of the Meridonal. "Ah, said the other" French valet. Sem was highly disgusted as most of us would be in the circumstance. He thought for a moment how to put this rude son of Albion in his proper place. Then he hailed a passing hansom, and in his most impressive accents, said, Savoy Hotel But it is doubtful if, even then, the English footman was convinced that Sem was not inhabating the servants' floor.

There is still hope for the pensioner, writes our Naval correspondent. Owing to the present system of providing labour for the Fleet Reserve not having answered quite so will as was anticipated, more pensioners are to be re-engaged for work upon the ships Good news this for the old sea-dogs, whose few shillings a week are insufficient to do anything more than just keep them off the poor rates. Some time ago all pensioners were discharged and an effort made to replace them with active service ratings. The latter cannot, however, learn drill and do labouring work in the dockyard at the same time, consequently pensioners will be re-engaged.

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THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, DEC. 7.

The rainfall has decreased to one inch at Port Blair and light rain has begun at Diamond Island owing probably to the movement of the disturbed conditions in the Bay. There are indications of the weather becoming slightly unsettled in Kashmir. There is possibility of rain on the North Burma Coast.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 4TH DECEMBER.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Drought still continues. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops within two, three weeks. Rabi crop prospects generally good so far.
Hissar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rain much needed generally.
Mooltan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton picking general, quality inferior. Rabi sowings progressing favourably.
Delhi.—Bright, but no sign of rain. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.
Agra.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities.
Cawnpore.—Bright, no sign of rain. Absence of rain causes anxiety.
Beawar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities.
Amraoti.—Seasonable. Kharif harvest in progress.
Khamgaon.—Dewfall insufficient. Cotton picking general.
Dhulia.—Slightly cloudy. Crop prospects generally good.
Jalgaon.—Bright, fair weather. Cold mornings. Seasonble. Cotton plants show bolls rapidly ripening. Cotton picking general. Food-grains and all crops doing well. Crop prospects generaly good.
Viramgaon.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton plants in flower. Cotton plants flourishing, and showing bolls but want fine weather. Cotton healthy and arrivals expected early. Crop prospects generally good.
Dholera.—Morning cold and dewy. Cotton plants showing bolls. Cotton healthy
Bhavnagar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Seasonable. Cotton plants flourishing and showing bolls rapidly ripening. Cotton picking commenced.
Sholapur.—Rain much needed generally for rabi crops. Absence of rain causes anxiety.
Hubli.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rain much needed generally. Mornings cold.
Bellary.—Looks like rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Absence of rain causes anxiety.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON THURSDAY, THE 7TH DEC.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has changed irregularly and by small amounts over the whole country. It is below normal generally everywhere.
Winds are cyclonic on the Coromandel Coast and in Ceylon while calms and variable breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been moderate to light.
Temperature.—The greatest variations are:—Maximum 6° in excess at Negapatam and minimum 5° to 7° in defect at Bangalore, Hyderabad (Deccan), Cuddapah, Karwar, Poona, Bijapur, Ratnagiri, Amraoti, Jubbulpore, Hoshangabad, Allahabad Cawnpore, Rajkot and Bhavnagar Para. The highest temperature in the shade was 90° at Mangalore and the lowest 41° at Jubbulpore
Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is locally more than half cloudy at Negapatam, Madras, Bombay, Akola and Nagpur.
Rain.—Nil.
Weather is in a slightly unsettled condition off the Coromandel Coast in the Bay.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Alalor, 2010 tons, Captain J Farmer, will sail to-day for Calcutta in ballast.

THE steamer Shahjehan 560 tons, Captain G W Whittman will sail to-day for Coconada with ballast.

THE steamer Dovedale, 1354 tons, Captain C A Goodwin, sailed yesterday for Liverpool with a general cargo.

THE Hall Line steamer Aston Hall, 2322 tons, Captain McFee, sailed yesterday for Havre and Liverpool with a general cargo.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Onda, 3100 tons, Captain F D Alton, sailed yesterday for Calcutta via coast ports with a general cargo.

THE French Mail steamer Sydney, 1231 tons, Captain Combe arrived in harbour yesterday from Marseilles with a general cargo and passengers.

THE steamer Longdale, 2515 tons, Captain T G Gray, arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from London via East Africa ports with ballast and 6 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Muttra, 1946 tons, Captain G W Peck, arrived in harbour yesterday from Rangoon via coast ports with a general cargo and 17 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Henzada, 1310 tons, Captain G R Riton, sailed yesterday for Calcutta via coast ports with a general cargo and Mr Bharucha, Rev and Messrs J B Rossi, E Franchetti and A Spada, 1 Native and 50 deck passengers.

OIL-CAKE AND STEAMER-TON.

At a general meeting of the members of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce, held yesterday noon, in its rooms, in Parsee Bazaar Street, Fort, the Hon. Mr. C. H. Armstrong presided when the following resolutions proposed by the chairman, and seconded by Mr. D. H. Glade were unanimously adopted:—(1) All machine pressed flat oil-cake except cocoanut be taken, at 17 cwt. to the steamer ton (2) Machine pressed flat cocoanut of all shapes be taken at 15 cwt., to the steamer ton. (3) Hand or bullock pressed oil-cake of all kinds be taken at 12 cwt., to the steamer ton.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR—Dec. 7.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Elen (bque)	411	Souton			The Captain
Kasara	505	Browning			M M & Co
Pekin	2522	LeMare	Kobe		P & O Co
Tientsin	3590	Andrews	Stream	28-10	P & O Co
Lalpoora	2121	Cole			M M & Co
Kt of the Thistle	4286	Baker			T M & Co
Coromandel	4375	Montford		24-11	P & O Co
Pundit	3812	Crebbin	K'chi	N F	T M & Co
Den of Agil	2522	Hemming			K M & Co
Birkhall	2788	Jones			Captain
Assaye		Seymour			Transport
Indian Monarch	2818	Patey			Glade & Co
Nadir	2041	Bird			P M & Co
Querimba	3791	Smith			M M & Co
Ormidale	2205	Hamilton			T M & Co
Waroonga	1609	Forbes			M M & Co
Longdale	2515	Guy			M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCK.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
A	Shahjehan	2566	Wittman	Coconada	9-12	E Tajbhoy
B	Heighington	1821	Toft			W & A G & Co
D&E	Maria V	2642	Bratolc	C'cutta	1-12	A L S N & Co
F	Murtra	2985	Peck	N F		M M & Co
H	Claverley	1901	McPherson	A'werp	16-12	M M & Co
K	Tokio	3825	Tarn	Karachi	9-12	F M & Co
M	Monsooree	1756	Hennah	R S ports	8-12	B & P S N
N	Clan Ranald	2384	Mckintosh	Hull	15-12	F M & Co
P	Chattan	2193	Leisk	Philadelphia	7-12	B H Wiles
P	Gulistan	2840	Bliault	Philadelphia	16-12	E L & Co
Q	Firoozi	2005	De Lorne	R S P	12-12	B & P S N Co
Q	Somali	163	Winker	Z bar	18-12	A Strandes

P. D. H. W.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
Satrunj	547	Ahmed	Banglore	8-12	Shpd & Co
Kaveri	553	Fakeera	B'negar	9-12	Shpd & Co
Lhasa	136	McDiarmed	K'chi	8-12	M M & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
1	Scindia	3258	Abbey	L'pool	9-12	W & A G & Co
2	Marienfels	5650	Fittlosen	K'chi	9-12	G & Co
3	D Balduino	3044	Canepa	Genoa	15-12	F B S N Co
4	Ischia	2784	Coglieto	China	16-12	F R S N Co
5	Marven	27[illegible]	Robertson	Hull	9-12	F M & Co
7	Vindobona	2694	Cobol	Krieste	9-12	A L S & Co
9	Arcadia	3511	Cubitt	China	26-12	P & O Co
10&11	Oceana	3607	Hayword	China	12-12	P & O Co
12	Moolten	4828	Henning	London	9-12	P & O Co
15	Oriental	3085	Lewellin	Aden	16-12	P & O Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
6	Londale s	Gray	London &c
7	Muttra s	Peck	Rangoon Nov 24
	St Gabriel (Port Cruiser)	De Mello	Mormugoa
	Sydney s	Combe	Marseilles

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
7	Beme s	Guy	Rangoon
	Chatton s	Leisk	Philadelphia
	Dumra s	Seddon	Persian Gulf &c
	Aston Hall s	McFee	Liverpool &c
	nda s	Alton	Calcutta &c
	Henzada s	Elton	Calcutta &c
	Dovedale s	Goodwin	Liverpool

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—

Steamer Alala Farmer for Calcutta
" Shahjehan Whittman for Coconada

The steamer D Balduino for Genoa &c. began to load yesterday.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The B I S N Co's steamer Golconda left Suez on the morning of the 6th instant.
The Clan Line steamer Clan Macintyre arrived in London on the evening of the 5th instant.
The Clan Line steamer Clan Menzies arrived in London on the evening of the 5th instant.
The Clan Line steamer Clan Shaw left Liverpool on the morning of the 30th ult., and proceeds to Chittagong,

The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Austria left Trieste for Bombay via Karachi on the morning of the 6th instant and may be expected to arrive here on or about the 25th instant.
The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Imperator from Bombay arrived at Aden on the morning of the 7th instant.
The Florio-Rubattino Co's steamer Capri from Bombay arrived at Hongkong on the 7th instant.

DAILY EXPORTS.—Dec. 7.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Dovedale s—4000 cwt cottonseed Ralli Bros 10 bales wool D Nagji.
Scindia s—20 bales wool H Mitha and Co. 35 bales wool J Kara, 47 bales wool The Bombay Company, 4000 cwt cottonseed W Becher, 2000 cwt mowrasesd G G Tejpal and Co, 26 bales wool W and A Graham and Co, 16 bales wool M Ramgopal, 18 bales wool R Tatia, 25 bale wool David Sassoon and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES

Scindia s—241 cwt mustardseed J Fachiri

FOR HULL.

Clan Ranald 12000 cwt cottonseed W Becher.

FOR ANTWERP

Marienfels s—1050 cwt myrabollams W Becher 50 bales cotton waste Tyabji and Co, 4090 cwt rapeseed Volkart Bros.

FOR HAMBURG.

Marienfels s—2 bales cotton Volkart Bros, 550 bales cotton Ralli Bros, 300 bales cotton N Khairaz and Co. 10 bales cotton fly J C Tadiwalla, 110 bales cotton Ewart Latham and Co, 120 bales cotton F F Camve l and Co, 201 cwt gum H Veerdhur. 220 bales cotton The Bombay Company.

FOR VENICE.

Vindobona s—100 bales cotton Walter Pavri and Co, 2 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR TRIESTE.

Vindobona s—55 bales cotton A Blashew and Co, 20 bales cottou Glazebrook Tejpal and Co.

FOR GENOA.

D Balduino s—400 bales cotton Glazebrook Tejpal and Co, 601 cwt linseed J Fachiri, 70 bales cotton J A Begbie and Co.

FOR BARCELONA.

D Balduino s—100 bales cotton A Blascheck and Co, 91 bales hemp Kiddle Rew and Co.

FOR ALEXANDRIA.

D Balduino s—750 cwt gingellyseed A Blascheck and Co.

FOR NAPLES.

D Balduino s—1000 cwts castorseed, E D Sassoon and Co

FOR LEGHORN.

D Balduino s—2000 cwts linseed J Fachiri

FOR GOTHENBURG,

Tokio s—100 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR NOORKOPING

Tokio s—100 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR MOJI

Kt of the Thistle s—2000 bales cotton The Mitsni B Kaisha

FOR KOBE

Sydney s—5 bales cotton G S Chandabhoy and Co
Kt of the Thistle s—2000 bales cotton The Mitsni B Kaisha; 3000 bales cotton G Dossa and Co; 500 bales cotton F F Campbell and Co; 1522 cotton Tata and Co
Ischia s—500 bales cotton The Mitsni B Kaish; 400 bales cotton The Bombay Company

FOR SHANGHAI

Ischia s—800 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co
Oceana s—60 bales twist piecegoods Talati and Co; and 40 bales 10 bales piecegoods E Noordin and Co; 59 bales twist Tata and Co; 104 cwts anjoor K F Miani

FOR HONGKONG

Ischia s—400 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co; 120 cwts sharkfins A Chogla and Co
Oceana s—87 cwts Kismis R M Jaffer and Co; 19 cases condiments M M Poonjiaji and Co; 175 cwts angoor K N Miani

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, Dec. 6.

SECURITIES—

2 3/4 per cent. Consols	89 11-16 ex	= + 1-4
3 do. Rentes	99 1-4	= unchanged
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan	105 1-4	= + 1-4
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	66	= + 1-8

SILVER—

Spot in London	29 9-16	= + 3-16
2 months hence	29 11-16	= + 1-8
Spot in New York	64	= + 1-2

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25·12	= — 1
Berlin "	20·41 1-2	= unchanged
New York Demand	4·85 1-4	= do

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England	4 per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3 1-2 per cent	= do
6 " "	3 1-4 per cent	= do
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	3 7-8 per cent	= do
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	4 per cent	= — 1-8

INTEREST—

Day to day loans	2 1-4 per cent	= — 3-8
7 day market loans	3 3-4 per cent	= — 1-4

Amount withdrawn from the Bank of England about £125,000.

A further sum of £50,000 has been added to the Indian Currency account.

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 80,00,000

Rs. 29·10	were allotted to	Calcutta
Rs. 19·50	do	Bombay
Rs. 9·00	do	Madras

Rs. 57·60 at 1s 4 1/32d.
Minimum rate received 12 per cent, average rate 16·03

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs. 15·50	were allotted to	Calcutta.
Rs. 7·00	do	Bombay
Rs. nil	do	Madras

Rs. 22·50 at 1s. 4 1/16d.
Minimum rate received 12 per cent, average rate 16·06
Total amount sold during the week, Rs. 83,60,000
Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 80,00,000
Extra allotments nil.

TALLOW.

Finest Australian Beef ... 30-6
" " Mutton ... 34
General tone of auction easier.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 10 1 1-2 Nov. done quiet but steady

RAPESEED—
Brown 39 3-4 A.-M. sellers

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 42 + 1-4 Dec-Jan done

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 1-8

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed easier, East Indian quiet. Manchester firm. Total Sales 6,000. Spot 6·42 plus 7. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 8 5-16 Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 19,000. Futures closed easier.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6·28	6·33	6·37
+ 7	+ 6	+ 6
Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May	May-June
6·42	6·45	6·48
+ 7	+ 7	+ 8
June-July	July-Aug	Aug-Sep
6·50	6·51	6·44
+ 8	+ 8	+ 7

Receipts at U S Ports ... 43,000
Do last year ... 62,000
Exports to Great Britain ... 21,000
Do do Continent ... 23,000

IN NEW YORK—

Spot ... mutilated
Futures, month of Dec ... 11·95+6 } a
Do do. March ... mutilated

a The early tone of New York futures has been mutilated but the later one gives advanced owing to support by new Orleans bull party.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot ... 12 1-16 + 1
Futures, month of March ... 12·54 — 2
Do, do. June ... 12·75 — 3
Tone at close ... barely steady.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 6th Dec. 1905:—

Cotton	13,8[illegible]1	bales.
Wheat	23,645	cwts.
Linseed	303	do
Rape, Ral and Mustard	1,502	do
Gingellyseed	6,791	do
Poppyseed	nil	
Groundnut	80	do
Castorseed	4,335	do
Rice	12,163	do
Myrabollams	1,331	do
Cottonseed	12,527	do
Mowraseed	496	do
Gram	1,991	do
Joowar	1,425	do
Maize	47	do

BOMBAY, DEC 7.

EXCHANGE.—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.	...	1s. 4 1-32d. to 1-16d.
Bank Demand	...	1s 4 1-16d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A.		1s. 4 9-32d to 1-4d.
Do. 6 do. do.	...	1s. 4 13-32d. to 3-8d
French Francs 3 do. do.	...	170 1-4
Marcks 3 do. do.	...	139 to 1 4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight	...	145 1-2
Shanghai 30 do.	...	204
Japan 30 do.	...	150

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady
Cash ... 98·5
1st Settlement, 4th January ... 98·7

Money Market. Tone steady.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England	since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.
Bank of Bombay	do. 30th Nov.	6	do.
Bank of Bengal	do. 30th Nov.	6	do.
Bank of Madras	do. 10th July	4	do.

SEEDS.

LINSEED—Tone firm — Rs. a. p.
Ready ... 7 2 0

RAPESEED.—Tone.
Brown Cawnpore Ready ... 6 13 0 to 7 0 0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready ... 7 4 0 to 7 6 0
Yellow Guzerat, Ready ... 7 6 0 to 7 8 0

POPPYSEED—Tone firm.
Ready ... 8 2 0

CASTORSEED—Tone
Ready ... 30 0 0 to 30 1-2

GINGELLYSEED—Tone.
Howree Khandeish ... 42 to 43
15 per cent Mixed ... 41 to 41 1-2
25 per cent do ... 40 to 40 1-2
50 per cent do ... 39 to 39 1-2
Black Kutnee ... 36 to 37

WHEAT—Tone steady.

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone ... dull.
Estimated sales ... 7,000 bales
Imports ... nil

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
6·28	6·33	6·37
unchanged	unchanged	unchanged
Mar.-April	April-May	May-June.
6·42	6·45	6·48
unchanged	unchanged	unchanged
June-July	July-Aug	Aug.-Sept.
6·50	6·51	6·44
unchanged	unchanged	unchanged

COTTON.—The market is quiet with a moderate enquiry for ready cotton, but very little doing in Contracts for forward delivery.

The following are the closing "Sutta" quotations:
Bengals Fully Good January ... Rs. 195
Broach M.-G. Good March ... " 254

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association Limited:—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. terms)	204	193	...	25th Dec
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	212	200	...	25th Dec
Oomrawutte (descriptions) M.-G.	222	216	...	25th Jan
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	...	213	...	25th Jan
Khamgaum, fair staple (M.-G.); Karanja do. (M.-G); Akola do. (M.-G.)	223	21[illegible]	...	25th Jan
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.)	231	225	...	" "
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	228	222	...	" "
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	232	226	...	
Broach (M.-G.)	258	...	254	25th Mar
Surtia (M. G.)	220	...	...	Jan-Feb
Bengal (M.-G.) Ry. terms	210	200	194	25th Dec
Do Do	212	202	...	Ready.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, DEC. 6.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed	easier
Surats	quiet
Good Bhownugger	...
The Manchester Market has been	firm
2 1/2 per cent Consols	89 11-16 ex
3 per cent Rentes	99 1-2
3 1/2 per cent Sterling Loan	105 1-4
3 1/2 per cent Rupee Papers	66
Bar Silver	29 9-16

THE HONGKONG YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Phirozsha B. Petit and Co. report on the market as follows on November 17:—

We have to report another fortnight of very quiet and dull tone in our yarn market. In view of the rise in the rate of Exchange on India, coupled with very heavy receipts from Bombay as well as from Shanghai, importers began to force sales, and in the absence of demand from the interior and consuming districts, the Chinese dealers and speculators are quite panic-stricken. They are underselling their previous purchases amongst themselves at a very heavy sacrifice, as the time of their clearances of their former purchases is very nigh. At persent Exchange has a tendency to rise further and a heavy fall in the prices will be the result, and if the prices do fell still lower a panic already felt will be intensified. The transactions recorded in this report were mostly done in the first few days of the fortnight under review but latterly with the rise in Exchange business dwindled away to a very narrow compass. The quotations given in this circular at which sales are not effected are simply nominal and even at the prices quoted it is very hard to induce any business whatever.

Stock of No. 20s. is too small and hence the prices of this count has suffered a trifle decline as regards those threads that are in exclusive hands others are in moderate demand at a decline of one dollar. Only one thread—Victoria No. 20s.—fetched dols. 2 above the sales reported in our last circular.

No business is reported in No. 16s.; this count is almost neglected.

Only one chope of No. 12s. changed hand at 3 dollars lower; others are not inquired for even at the decline.

No. 10s. fared the worst. All the importers are very hasty sellers, and though prices show a decline of from dollars 1 to 4 per bale, a very trifling business is reported.

No. 8s. is out of favour, and is not inquired for.

A very trifling business is reported in No. 6s. at dollars 1 lower.

The market closes extremely dull and drooping.

Sales during the past fortnight reported of about 50 bales of No. 6s.; 550 bales of No. 10s; 59 bales of No. 12s.; and 1,025 bales of No. 20s; in all about 1,675 bales.

Arrivals during the fortnight per steamers Kumsang and Arratoon Apcar (from Calcutta) and Ischia and Zambesi (from Bombay), about 22,635 bales, and from Shanghai about 4,398 bales; in all about 27,031 bales.

It is also reported that out of the arrivals per steamer Ischia and Zambesi about 3,300 bales are of forward sales contracted.

Shipments to Northern Ports and Shanghai about 1,500 balse

The Unsold Stock is estimated at about 76,000 bales.

The Uncleared Stock is estimated at about 50,000 bales.

Local Yarn.—No business is reported.
Japanese Yarn.—No business is reported.
Exchange.—We quote to-day as under:—

India T. T. at Rs. 153 3-4 per cent,
" Demand " " 154 " "
London T. T. " Sh. 2011/16d. = dlr.
" Demand " " 21 3-4d. = dlr.
Shanghai ... " Tls 71 1-2—dlr 100.
Silver ... " 29 9/16d. per Oz.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

The "Bombay Government Gazette," Dec 7.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The Hon Mr Basil Scott B A (Oxon) B-at-L to act as a Judge of His My's High Court of Judicature at Bombay with effect from the 5th Dec during the absence on leave of the Hon Mr Justice Badrudin Tyabji B-at-L or pending further orders.

Khan Bahadur Muncherji Kavasji Murzban C I E A M I C E to be Sheriff of Bombay for the ensuing year to be computed from the 20th Dec in succession to Sir Sassoon J David.

Mr E B Raikes B-at-L to act as Advocate Genl Bombay vice the Hon Mr Basil Scott B A (Oxon) B-at-L pending further orders.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Mr H O Quin I C S to be on special duty in the Political Dept of the Secretariat with effect from 29th Nov pending further orders.

Mr Vinayak Ganesh Gadkari Depy Assist Political Agent Sorath Prant Kathiawar was in charge of the current duties of the Political Agent of that Prant in addition to his own from the 6th to the 26th Oct both days inclusive.

Lieut-Col G B O'Donnell Political Agent Third Grade is allowed one day's extension of the furlough granted to him in June.

Mr Bhimrao Ramchandra Siddapur acting Mahalkari petha Bilgi in the dist of Bijapur to exercise the powers of a Mamlatdar.

Mr Piroz Beheramji Malbari B-at-L to act as Depy Registrar and Sealer High Court Appellate Side.

Mr Shridhar Balkrishna Upasani Second Class First Grade Subordinate Khed to act as Assist Registrar High Court Appellate Side and Supdt of the High Court Press.

H A Simcox to be a non official visitor of the Yeravda Central Prison.

Mr P O'Brien Probationary Third Grade Assist Supt of Police Karachi passed on the 25th Sept examination in Sindhi.

Mr Maganlal Ghelabhai Mehta B A L L B to act as Second Class Fourth Grade Subordinate Judge Khed vice Mr Shridhar Balkrishna Upasani pending further orders.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The undermentioned officers in Sind passed the Higher Standard Departmental Examination on the 30th Sept:—Mr Jamiatrai Udharam Registration Clerk Sukkur, Mr Jivatram Bulc and Shirastedar to the Dist Magistrate Larkhana, Mr Chandiram Ghanshamdas Police Accountant Sukkur Treasury, Mr Mahomed Ibrahim Sheikh Ismail Mukhtyarkar Sanghar, Mr Assudamal Metharam Munshi Assist Collr Taudo's Office.

Mr Vaman Bhivram Mardhekar M A Probationary Depy Collr Dharwar passed the Lower Standard Deptal Examination on 28th Sept.

Mr A F Gonsalves L C E Extra Assist Conservator of Forests Fourth Grade and Sub-Divisional Forest Officer Satara passed with credit on 27th Sept an examination in subjects for the examination of officers of the Forest Dept.

Mr H L Painter B A (Oxon) I C S to be Assist Collr Dharwar.

Mr J Monteath B A (Cantab) I C S to be Second Assist to the Collr of Land Revenue Customs and Opium Bombay and Chief Inspector of Factories vice Mr H L Painter I C S.

Mr Tirthdas Metharam to act as Sixth Grade Depy Collr in Sind during the absence of M Hashmatrai Alumal Bhojwani B-at-L on leave or pending further orders or Asurdas Motaram reverting.

The undermentioned officers passed the Special Lower Standard Deptal Examination on 28th Sept.

Passed with credit, Mr Ramchandra Narayan Godbole Karkun Mamlatdar's office Bhiwndi Thana, Mr Manibhai Pragji Desai L Ag Karkun Mamlatdar's office Mandvi Surat, Mr Krishnaji Vyankatesh Naik B A Karkun Mamlatdar's office Valva Satara, Mr Gurushidappa Chaubacapa Navali Karkun Mamlatdar's Office Kalghatgi Dharwar.

Passed, Mr Moreshwar Bhaskar Kunte B A Circle Inspector Bassein Thana, Mr Harikrishna Hariprasad Diwan B A Circle Inspector Godhra Panch Mahals. Mr Keshav Ramchandra Prabhu B A Circle Inspector Khanapur Belgaum. Mr Ibrahim Aminkhan Abkari Sub-Inspector Satara City and Mr Madhurao Ramchandra Katark Clerk Dist Depy Collr's office Dharwar, Mr Chunilal Amritlal B A Karkun Mamlatdar's office Nadiad Kaira, Mr Moreshwar Hari Patwardhan B A Karkun Mamlatdr's office taluka Sholapur, Mr Keshav Gopal Kulkarni Karkun Mamlatdar's office Javli Satara, Mr Mahableshwar Rudrapa Nadkarni Karkun taluka Ankola Kanara, Mr Yadav Pandurang Prabhune Karkun Mamlatdar's office Dindori Nasik, Mr Tryambak Raghunath Karshikar B A Circle Inspector Man Satara, Mr Javerilal Devshankar Karkun Huzur Ferist Kaira, Mr Dattatraya Sitaram Paprikar Clerk Account office Dhulia Khandesh, Mr Narayan Moreshwar Sathe B A Circle Inspector Chopda Khandesh, Mr Gopal Damodar Pendse B A Circle Inspector Devgad Ratnagiri, Mr Ramchandra Shambhuram Karkun Mamlatdar's office Broach Mr Mahadev Shamrao Upasni Clerk Account office Dhulia Khandesh, Mr Shankar Mangesh Mavinkurwe Karkun Yellapur Taluka Kanara, Mr Vinayak Shankar Hatwalne B A Circle Inspector taluka Nevasa Ahmednagar, and Mr Bansilal Lakshmanrai B A Circle Inspector Daskroi Ahmedabad.

The undermentioned officers in the Presidency proper passed the Higher Standard Deptal Examination on 29th Sept—Mr Rango Swamirao Deshpande Native Accountant Bijapur, Mr Waman Dinkar Kelkar Shirastedar to the Dist Depy Collr Sholapur. Mr Govind Vishnu Date Extra Head Karkun taluka Karad Satara. Mr Daso Bhimrao Kulkarni B A Circle Inspector Gutal Dharwar, Mr Gopal Lakshman Gajendragadkar Clerk Commr S D's office, Mr Chhaganlal Pranlal B A Circle Inspector Daskroi Ahmed bad, Mr Wasudev Balkrishna Kale Depy Chitnis Kolaba, Mr Mukund Vithal Kamat B A Circle Inspector Supa Kanara, Mr Hari Vishnu Date, B A Second Clerk Collr's office Kaira, Mr Mulchand Chunilal Desai B A Circle Inspector Mahalkari's office Hunsot Broach, Mr Nathudas Jiwandas Gujar Clerk Commr S D's office Mr Shivram Narayan Bapat Circle Inspector Bhiwndi Thana, Mr Narayan Krishna Kolatkar Extra Head Karkun Junnar Poona. Mr Narayan Lakshman Pradhan B A Circle Inspector Ratnagiri, Mr Maganlal Gandhi B Sc Circle Inspector Borsad Kaira Mr Mahadev Malhar Samant Shirastedar to the Assist Collr N D Ratnagiri, Mr Chandramukh Tripuranand Pandya B A Circle Inspector Jalalpur Surat, Mr Mohanlal Narndas Chowksi B A Circle Inspector Sanand Ahmedabad, Mr Achyut Sadashiv Bhagwat Shirastedar to the Huzur Depy Collr Ratnagiri, Mr Hanmant Raghavendra Tavargeri Second Karkun Mamlatdar's office Muddebi al Bijapur, Mr Narayan Govind Patwardhan B A Circle Inspector Nandgaon Nasik. Mr Balaji Balkrishna Kulkarni B A Circle Inspector Bagewadi Bijapur, Mr Parshotam Jogibhai Bhatt B A Circle Inspector Olpad Surat, Mr Sitaram Bhimaji Deshpande Circle Inspector taluka Badami Bijapur, Mr Jethalal Adarbhai Shirastedar to the First Assist Collr Ahmedabad, Mr Krishnaji Yadar Davne B A Circle Inspector peta Edlabad Khandesh Mr Krishnaji Govind Gejji B A Circle Inspector Athni Belgaum, Mr Keshav Vasudeo Hasabnis B A Cir Inspector Chalisgaon Khandesh.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, December 8.

1 Copy of D A G Western Command No 338-B of the 18th August 1905 is published for information:—
(i) 1st Class Sergt-Instr G Rose, 2nd Battn Bengal Nagpur Railway Volunteer Rifles is appointed Acting Sergt-Major, Bombay Volunteer Rifles with effect from the 13th July 1905, vice Acting Sergt-Major Dowaing discharged to pension.
(ii) Acting Sergeant-Major G Rose having reported his arrival has taken over the duties of Acting Sergt-Major from the 6th instant.
2. There will be Drill for Recruits to day (Friday) the 8th instant, at Head-Quarters at 6 p m.
3 2nd Lieut P W Cresswell is transferred from "F" to "D" Company with effect from this date.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

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PARADE.

There will be 10" R M L Gun Drill for Nos 1 and 2 Companies at Colaba North Fort to-morrow (Saturday) the 9th instant, Parade at the Club Apollo Bunder at 4-15 p m Cyclists can proceed direct to the Fort.

Dress—Officers—Khaki, (without belts) and caps
Non-Commd Officers and men—Khaki and F S Caps—Putties not to be worn.

By Order
A. STIFFE, Capt. R.A.
Adjt. B. V. A.

NOTICE.

There will be a meeting of the Carbine Club, at the B V A Club, to-morrow (Saturday) the 9th instant, at 7 p.m. (after parade). All interested in Shooting are particularly requested to attend.

G. W. MURRAY, Sergt,
Hon. Secretary.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notice (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

TAPISSIER—SECONDE—Nov 25, at St Thomas's Church, Middleton Row, Calcutta, by the very Rev Father Lafont, S J, C I E, assisted by the Rev Father Van de Mergel, S J, Hippolyte, son of Mr E Tapissier, Calcutta, to Blanche, youngest daughter of Mr E Seconde Calcutta.

DEATH.

KITCHEN—October 18, of heart disease, Joseph Francis Kitchen, son of Mrs Emily Kitchen, after a long and painful illness, aged 27 years.

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Municipal Standing Committee, 2 p.m.
University Examination Results—B. Sc., L. C. E., and Intermediate Arts Examinations.
Farewell performance of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales's Orchestra, Town Hall, 9-15 p.m.
The Bijou Troubadours, Novelty Theatre, 9-30 p.m.

POLICE NOTICE.—A bar of metal and a gold bangle and a silver link have been taken charge of by the Police and await owners.

THE SCOTTISH ORPHANAGE.—The Hon'ble Mr. J. W. P. Muir-Mackenzie has consented to preside at the annual meeting and prize distribution at the school at Mahim Saturday, Dec. 16.

FIFTH CRIMINAL SESSIONS.—The business of the fifth Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court, which commenced on the 20th ultimo, terminated yesterday, and the Sessions were formally dissolved.

THE KHOJA SAJUNBHOY MEERALLY'S DISPENSARY.—During November, the number of Khoja patients that were treated in this Dispensary was 1,677. Among them the number of new admissions was 393; classified as stated below:—Men 120 women 120 and children 153. Total 393. The average daily attendance was 56.

RATANSI MULJI DISPENSARY, FORT.—During November, the number of Hindu patients treated in this Dispensary was 3,242. Among them the number of new admissions was 830; classified as stated below:—Bhattias 88, Vanias 101, Brahmins 135, Lohanas 108 and other castes 448. The average daily attendance was 108.

A JUROR'S FINE REMITTED.—On the application of Mr. Rustom Wadia to the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston at the Bombay Criminal Sessions yesterday, the fine of Rs. 50 inflicted on Mr Tribhowandas Mungaldas Nathoobhoy, a Special Juror, for being absent when his name was called out on Wednesday, was remitted by his Lordship. The juror's plea was that he was ill.

REPORTED THEFT.—Rungo Jairam, a Hindu, residing on the New Nagpada Road, reported to the Police the theft of a gold nose-ring with nineteen pearl's, collectively valued at about Rs. 330, and a pair of gold ear-rings set with pearls, valued at about Rs. 240, from his two locked boxes, sometime between the 25th ultimo and the 5th instant. The complainant suspects Shanker Govind, his brother-in-law who often visited him.

DANGERS OF A LEAKING KEROSINE OIL DRUM.—C. Rosengren, a fireman on board the s.s. "Claverley" now lying in the Prince's Dock, went into the engine room, on Wednesday afternoon, with a naked light. In close proximity lay a drum of kerosine oil, which as it was leaking, caught fire and burnt the fireman severely about the arms and face. Flames were soon brought under control and he was conveyed to the St. George's Hospital, where he has been detained for treatment.

THEFT OF A NECK ORNAMENT.—Rama Gungaram, a cart-driver, was charged yesterday morning before Mr. P. H. Dastur, with robbing his kept-mistress Jeejabai, of her neck ornament valued at Rs. 45. Inspector Priestley prosecuted. It appeard that on Monday last the complainant quarrelled with the accused and left him to reside with her mother. The accused went up to her asking her to return. The complainant declined to do so, when the accused slapped her and pulling off her neck ornament ran away with it. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was sentenced to undergo six months' hard labour.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Ceylon, Singapore, China, Japan and Australia per s. s. Sydney will be closed at the General Post Office at 3 p. m., to-morrow, instead of to-day, as previously notified.—Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Delagoa Bay and other places in South Africa per extra s. s. Umlazi via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 6 p. m., on the 10th instant. Supplemental mails will also be closed at 7 p. m. on the 11th instant.—Mails for Ceylon, the Staits Settlements, China, Japan and Australia per s.s. Oceana will be closed at the General Post Office at 7 a. m., on Tuesday the 12th instant.

PROFESSOR OMORI, who recently visited India to investigate the recent earthquakes here, has reported in a lecture before the Seismological society at Tokio, that the construction of houses in India is, from the point of view of resisting the strain of an earthquake, extremely faulty.

A PARTY of six smugglers making their way over the Austrian Alps towards the Ala Valley and Verna with contraband, have had a terrible experience. About midway they were terrified by the fall of an avalanche. Five of the men succeeded in escaping, but one, a young man, was overwhelmed and killed. After some hours his companions were able to find where the body lay, but not to extricate it. They were compelled to report the accident to the nearest Customs station.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

LEAKAGE AND WASTE OF WATER.

INSUFFICIENT TRAM SERVICE.

AN adjourned meeting of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held, yesterday, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta presiding.

LEAKAGE FROM PUBLIC RESERVOIRS.

Dr. Viegas, according to a notice of motion, proposed that the Municipal Commissioner be requested to obtain and place before the Corporation, with his own remarks, a joint report from the Executive Health Officer and the Executive Engineer, on the following points:—1. The extent of leakage from the Malabar Hill and Bhandarwada Reservoirs. 2. The extent of the area affected thereby. 3. The extent of the saturation of the soil therefrom. 4. The evil effects on the health of the population in the areas affected. 5. The measures adopted from time to time to prevent saturation and their efficacy. 6. What further measures they would now suggest so as to minimise the evil; and 7. Whether in their opinion it is necessary, and, if so, feasible to remove both the reservoirs to any other place, and, if so, where. Dr. Viegas said that, when the future of the city was in the hands of the Gods, they were favourably inclined, but the city had offended one of the Gods, their cheap engineering works, so far as reservoirs were concerned, was the punishment incurred The Bhundarwada reservoir was completed in 1894; economy seemed to have been the ruling principle of the engineers, and the present leakage from it was a million gallons a day, which flowed into the sewer the Nawab's Tank. There was in the compound of the St. Peter's Girls' School a well which never changed its level, which was a suspicious circumstance regarding leakage. On the same road streams of water would be found issuing from the reservoir and finding their way into the Gungabowree well. There was another well the water of which was also kept up by a supply from the reservoir. If they went to the reservoir itself, they found reservoir No. 2 and some of the filter beds leaking. The overflow channel was also conveying off leakage water. The condition of the hill and the reservoir was most serious, as it had a deleterious effect upon the health of the poor people living in the vicinity. In Dr. Viegas's opinion, they should take prompt measures to set matters right. It was surmised that 80 per cent. of people in the district were suffering from enlarged spleen. There might be a day, if the leakage went on, when the reservoir might slide down the hill. Turning to the Malabar Hill reservoir, Dr. Viegas said the seven leaks to be found on the hill must proceed from that reservoir. The fevers on the Chowpatty side were something frightful. Dr. Viegas thought the Corporation should stop the leakages from both reservoirs, the cause of which was due to cheapness of construction or the want of ability of those entrusted with their construction.

Mr. Cowasjee Jehangir seconded the proposition.

Sir Bhalchandra thought Dr. Viegas's proposition contained a very large order, which he was afraid would come to nothing. He did not agree with all Dr. Viegas's remarks regarding the leakage from the Malabar Hill reservoir and considered it would be fruitless to spend money on such a project as that put forward by Dr. Viegas.

Mr. Cowasjee Jehangir thought Dr. Viegas's proposition, was a very reasonable one, and there was no doubt about the leakages from the Malabar Hill reservoir being the cause of 25 per cent. of the servants being down with malaria.

The President pointed out that the Special Officer was making a report on leakages throughout the city.

The Commissioner said the reason why a special report on the reservoirs had not been made was that Mr. Sherring, the Special Officer, was engaged on work connected with the leakage from the water mains. If a special report was required in connection with the reservoirs, it could be arranged to put Mr. Sherring specially on that work.

Mr. Cowasjee Jehangir suggested an amendment of the resolution and with Dr. Viegas's consent it was altered to a slight extent.

Dr. Dinshaw B Master considered the report would be useful.

Mr D G Padhye suggested the first four paragraphs of the original proposition should be dropped and the fifth should be altered as he suggested. He moved an amendment to that effect.

Khan Bahadur M. C. Murzban considered some of Dr. Viegas's proposals were unnecessary, as reports on the same had been furnished in previous years. Mr. Murzban favoured the amendment.

The Hon. Mr. Ibrahim thought Mr. Padhye's amendment should be carried.

After further discussion, Mr. Padhye's amendment was put to the vote and carried. It dropped the first four clauses of Dr. Viegas's proposition; changed the fifth clause to "the present leakage from the Malabar Hill and Bhundarwada Reservoirs," and allowed the sixth clause to be retained.

INADEQUATE SERVICE OF TRAMWAYS.

Dr. N. N. Katrak moved according to notice "That the attention of the Municipal Commissioner be drawn to the inadequate and insufficient service of Tramway in Bombay causing great inconvenience to the travelling public, and he be requested to impress upon the B.E.S.T. Co. the great urgency of expediting the conversion of horse traction into electric power and to increase their rolling stock in the meantime; that he be also requested to bring to the notice of the B.E.S.T. Co. the great inconvenience caused to lady travellers by their not being able to obtain seats and to urge upon them the advisability of reserving at least one bench (either the first or last) for lady travellers." Dr. Katrak complained that the greatest inconvenience now felt by travellers in finding seats in tram cars for half an hour or even an hour. The cars were insufficient in number. Dr Katrak had nothing to say against the excellent management of the Company's affairs, but thought the Corporation as a board should represent the matter to the Company, together with a suggestion to give increased facilities to lady passengers.

Dr. Sukhia seconded the proposition.

Dr. Dinshaw Master suggested that during the busy hours of the morning and evening special inspectors should be stationed at central points to assist ladies in securing accommodation.

The proposition was agreed to.

PRACTICE OF SHUTTING OFF THE WATER.

Mr. R. J. Kent, in accordance with notice of motion, moved "That the Commissioner be asked to report whether, in view of fire outbreaks in the city it is not possible and desirable to discontinue the practice of shutting off the water in the mains during the night." Mr. Kent said as he was in charge of several buildings in this city, it was desirable that there should be a continuous supply of water in view of the recent fires at Frere Road, and the B. B. and C I. Railway offices.

The Hon. Mr. G. O. W. Dunn seconded the proposition and said it was quite extraordinary that on the very night when the city was illuminated and in danger of fire, the water should have been shut off. He thought the matter was one which the Corporation, should take notice of. He was informed with regard to the fire at the B.B. and C.I. Railway offices. the first person to see it were some men of the 121st Pioneers, who when they got a hose fixed, found that there was no water. Had there been water, a considerable amount of property would have been saved,

The Commissioner said it was not possible to keep the mains in any particular locality open at the expense of the rest of the city. It was impossible to know where a fire would occur on a particular day.

The proposition was carried, and the meeting adjourned till Monday.

FRANCE and Siam continue the work of frontier demarkation between Siam and French Indo-China. This year the joint Commission representing the two Governments will begin their work in the Luang Prabang region, proceeding thence to that of Bassac. The members of the two commissions are now proceeding to the appointed rendezvous at Xien-Kong where they will meet about the end of November. Although, however, there are two commissions, it has been agreed that the new frontier charts shall be drawn exclusively by the French party. That will at least secure uniformity.

THE French Cabinet represents many groups, and still more sections, which have not always lived in ideal harmony. But either because embittered party antagonism is consistent with individual familiarity—as rarely happens in Continental politics—or from a desire to give perfect outward expression to democratic equality, the members nearly all address each other in the second person singular, which in France only the most intimate relations permit. M. Rouvier is the one general exception. He is vous for all his colleagues. M. Chaumie is only tutoye'd by M. Etienne, who boasts the further distinction of being the only man outside the President's own family who is privileged to tutoyer M. Loubet.

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FRIDAY, DEC. 8, 1905.

THE OUTLOOK IN RUSSIA.

When the Tsar issued his manifesto instituting a form of representative government it was sincerely hoped that his most unhappy country would enter upon a new epoch of prosperity and contentment. But it appears it must first go through a purifying process which could never have been anticipated—a process which seems destined to clear the country of a very large percentage of its adult population. Whether the story of the implication of a Grand Duke, in the present disturbances, be true or not, there is no doubt that the army is full of revolutionary officers and that they have an influence over their men which they are able to exercise for evil. The situation becomes worse from day to to-day. Fears are entertained of an attack on the Tsar and in anticipation of a "coup d'etat" a number of the Imperial Guard, whose loyalty has hitherto been unimpeached, have been arrested and the Cossacks alone are held to be above reproach. What the end will be few will prophesy and they are those, as a rule, whose predictions are least worthy of acceptance. The cry of the Jews to the neighbouring nations is likely to go unheeded, though the anti-Semitic campaign is the most horrible feature of the present disorder. Kieff and Odessa has witnessed massacres before. They have seen the bulk of the Jewish population flee, by the aid of the Moutefiore fund, to England and to the United States, but they are attractive centres to that Jews who seem to forget each successive outbreak by the time the next begins. Still no previous occurrence has equalled the devastation of the past month. In Kieff, a raging mob has destroyed every place of business owned by the Jews. They have broken up the shops, destroyed the workmen's quarters, looted the houses of the wealthy and Conservative Jews and beaten and murdered women and children merely because they were of the Israelite faith or happened to be at the time in the company of Jews. The mob believing that the Tsar is with them at heart carry his picture at their head and the police and military no longer strive to quell the riots, but join in the rioting, closing their eyes to murders and all the barbarities with which it is accompanied.

The Call, which Mr. Stead received to go and restore tranquility does not appear to have been Divine after all. He has failed to persuade the Liberals that the Tsar's concessions were sufficiently magnanimous for a beginning. With the Conservatives he was able to wield no influence at all. He blames them for present troubles. In the vast population of Russia, he told an interviewer after his return, there are few elements like nobility, church and large employers, what wonder that the great machine of officials who have governed for a hundred years should now rebel when their salaries and offices are threatened. Coming on the heels of a disastrous war, this new step of the Tsar enables them to persuade the people that he has gone over to their worst enemies—the Jews and the revolutionaries. The angry and deserted reactionary party are now preparing to fight for dear life. The horrible massacres of the Jews are a flea-bite to what will happen if they get the upper hand. The garrison of office-holders, police, and gendarmes, face to face with the loss of their ancient emoluments and privileges, will fight tooth and claw for their existence. Every reactionary is said to declare, and probably believe, that the Tsar has been captured by the Jews, who have, in Russia, not only most money but most brains of any race, and both reactionaries and officials are glad to be rid of them. In the view of Mr. Stead we need attach no importance to the action of any Grand Duke. They are nobodies he says ; their opinions and influence are never seriously discussed. With the story of the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese War, fresh in the memory, few people will accept the assurance, though there can be little doubt that reactionary officialism is the greater source of danger just now. As to developments, we may take Mr. Stead's ideas for what they are worth : "If the worst comes to the worst," he says, "and the Army is divided against itself, there will be a civil war. Russia will burst like one vast bomb. The criminal and savage forces with which both parties have played will be unloosed. Jews, landlords and the middle-class will suffer everywhere. The flight of landed proprietors will be followed by the exodus of foreigners. Among the contingencies, not by any means beyond the range of possibility in the immediate future, if the Tsar goes down, are the cessation of the payment of interest on the Russian debt, the German occupation of Poland and the Baltic Provinces ; the extension of the social revolution into Austria ; an international expedition for the rescue of the embassies at St. Petersburg and an international expedition to capture the Black Sea and restore order in the Caucasus. Between civilisation and this scene of unexampled horror there stands but the final barrier of a reeling throne," occupied by the one man, who in all Russia is unaffected by the delirium and terrors of the revolutiona y storm and whose only fear is that he may fail in understanding what is the will of God.

As a St. Petersburg special correspondent expresses it, all the powers of darkness that flourished under the ægis of the autocracy are making a desperate struggle for existence. They are deliberately and actively promoting a counter-revolution. Hooliganism never had more congenial conditions and hooliganism is responsible more for the disturbances than either Liberals or Reactionaries. But no one seems to be quite innocent. One of the most serious charges brought by the impartial onlooker is that against the Church. In Moscow, it is alleged, the Metropolitan Vladimir caused his subordinates to read in the churches a homily on the evils of the hour, as a result of which in many churches part of the congregation began to attack strikers, and afterwards went into the streets to beat the intellectuals. In Saratoff the Bishop Hermogenes has been most earnestly exhorting the faithful to resist actively those whom he is pleased to style rebels. And in the Jewish pale Orthodox priests have not been behindhand in recommending violence. There has been a storm of protest against this sort of conduct. The Synod, which in January circulated the falsehood as to the workers on strike having been supported by millions of roubles sent from England and Japan, has expressed mild disapproval of the Metropolitan Vladimir's homily, and the Metropolitan has published a lame excuse, while numbers of his subordinates are now protesting that they only read the homily under compulsion. Yet, if the Church wishes, it might bring about a diminution of the disturbances, with the utmost ease. Nowhere has the Church more influence. An appeal should be made and the people should be clearly given to understand that until peace and order have been restored no reforms can be taken in hand, and until then it is impossible to fulfil the will of the Tsar with regard to the freedom of citizenship.

EDUCATION IN THE CENTRAL PROVINCES. CONSIDERABLE progress has been made in educational matters n the Central Provinces during the past year, despite the difficulties experienced. Although the outbreak of plague in the year was less severe than that which preceded it, yet its prevalence in a sporadic form caused considerable hindrance in many ways. Yet the number of schools was increased by 43 and though, on the other hand, in Berar, 62 schools, described as indigenous schools of an ephemeral character, have disappeared, there has been a considerable increase in the total number of pupils on the rolls and also in the average attendance. There has also been an increase of seventeen schools with a corresponding increase in pupils in the Feudatory States which seems to point to a better conditiou in the hitherto backward educational position of these tracts. Progress has been made in giving effect to the Government policy of substituting more efficient inspection for examinations and, in pursuance of this policy, a new Inspector's circle has been created so that there are now five Circle Inspectors, one for each Commissioner's Division. Girls' schools have an Inspectress while European schools are under the charge of the Special Inspector of these whose services are shared with the Bombay Government. The improvement throughout the Provinces may be chiefly attributed to the larger funds available. Altogether, the increase amounted to Rs. 77,000, the greater part of which was increase on inspection and on improving the buildings and equipment of schools. The greatest need seems to be for more schools, but there is great difficulty in obtaining efficient teachers, and it has been felt that a return on the increased expenditure on Normal Schools, especially in the form of higher scholarship, should soon appear in the form of a larger supply of trained teachers so that in the future the funds may be devoted more to the establishment and upkeep of new schools.

Last year more was spent by Municipal Committees on education, and it is found that these bodies are generally inclined to foster secondary schools which teach English at the expense of primary education. The maintenance of High and Middle schools in Municipal towns is greatly to be encouraged, but it cannot but he felt that they should be in addition to, and not in place of, Primary schools which everywhere should have first claim on the funds. The effect of plague was, it seems, chiefly felt in University Education in which there was considerable interruption. The College at Jubbulpore had to be closed throughout the middle of the year and the Allahabad University examinations had to be postponed until July. Nagpur was free from plague throughout the year and, though for some unaccountable reason the progress in higher education was scarcely perceptible in the secondary schools, there has been a general advance and the Anjuman Islamia school has not only been extricated from its financial difficulties, but put on a sound footing. Although the number of pupils has increased, the number of Anglo-Vernacular Middle schools has decreased. They are gradually recovering from the effects of plague, but have not yet regained their former position. Perhaps the most satisfactory advance of all is in Primary education. The disappearance of private schools is deprecated by the Department and, in future, every effort is to be made to keep private schools, where they already exist, as by this means more funds are available for these districts where private schools are unknown and where everything depends on Government effort. Technical education is still in an experimental stage, although it is worthy of note that the first candidate in these Provinces who has been awarded a State technical scholarship has recently left India to study mining at the School of Mines attached to the Birmiugham University. Female education is slowly becoming more popular and there are increasing number of applications for the opening of new schools. Much remains to be done in all directions, but, on the whole, the tendency to progress is good, and if the upward motion be slow, it seems at least to be widespread and to be capably conducted on sound principles which will have an early effect towards an all round betterment of conditions.

THE ECONOMY OF EXPENSE. It seems difficult to realise at first glance that the raising of wages can be of advantage to the employer. But that it can be so has been clearly demonstrated by the Bethlehem Steel Company which arrived at its conclusion in a curious way. Up to 1899 all the labourers had been paid at the rate of 4s. 9½d, a day. It was then determined to try for a better system and its discovery was entrusted to a man who, having no experience of the class of work, approached it with an open mind. His method of reasoning was that the execution of the work could be reduced to a scientific standard and with this object accurate timings were taken of the various operations performed. Thus in loading pig iron into a car the whole operation was divided up into its separate elements as follows : (1) picking up pig iron from the ground ; (2) walking with it on the level ; (3) walking with it up an incline to a van ; (4) throwing down the pig iron or laying it in a pile (5) walking back empty to get a load. To get the minimum time the best workman was tested and to the total of the time was added thirty per cent. for rest and time lost. Onireckoning from these figures it was decided to increase the pay to 7s. 10d. per day, the essential part being that the out-put of work should be above a fixed standard. The saving by the higher wages to the employer proved to be 50 per cent, of the previous cost of handling, for, while under the old system, a man accounted for 16 tons per day, under the new his work was fifty-seven tons. The value of the increased wages to the workman needs no comment. The value of the system to the employer is equally great, but less obvious. The whole crux is that while the expenses are increased they operate throughout on a still more increased turnover. This is a clear proof of the advantage of conducting large works under the piece-work system, for by raising the standard of work above that obtainable for fixed wages it ensures a greater distribution of capital expenses and so reduces the fixed charges on this account.

MR. E. B. RAIKES, Barrister-at-Law, has been appointed to act as Advocate-General at Bombay in the place of the Hon. Mr. Justice Scott, and assumed charge of the office yesterday.

PRINCE VON BULOW in his speech to the Reichstag strongly advocates evening effort being made to bring about a better feeling between England and Germany.

RAJA Sir Savalai Ramaswamy Mudliar has been appointed Sheriff of Madras for the third time.

THE Hon. Mr. A. A. Apcar has been nominated Sheriff of Calcutta, for the coming year.

THE P. & O. Company's s.s. Peninsular with the homeward Mails of the 2nd instant arrived at Aden at 7-30 p.m. on Dec. 6.

THE P. & O. Company's s.s. India with the outward Mails of the 1st instant left Suez at 5-30 a.m. on Dec. 7.

THE State Ball at Belvedere will take place on the 10th of January.

THE Tashi Lama and his suite passed through Allahabad on Tuesday by special train on their way to visit the Prince of Wales.

SIR ANDREW FRASER leaves Calcutta on Monday next on a short visit to Suri and Bhagalpur, returning to Calcutta on the 15th instant.

LORD AND LADY MINTO and their daughters were among the guests at the "At Home" given by the Colonel and officers of the King's Own Regiment at Fort William on Tuesday.

A CHICAGO telegram to a London newspaper states on the authority of Mr. Joseph Leiter that Lord and Lady Curzon will pay a visit to that city at an early date.

THE annual Railway Construction programme for the next year has gone home for approval by the Secretary of State.

SURGEON-GENERAL W. R. BROWNE, I.M.S., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, has been appointed an Honorary Surgeon to H. E. the Viceroy.

THE "Indian Daily News" understands that the Secretary of State has refused to intervene in favour of Mr. H. D. Carey, C. S., who was recently degraded.

GOVERNMENT has sanctioned the appropriation of Rs. 10,000 from the Calcutta Municipal Budget for the decoration and illumination of certain Municipal buildings on the occasion of the Royal Visit.

MR. PALMER, Deputy Director of Traffic, Telegraphs, becomes Director vice Mr. Berrington proceeding upon leave ; Mr. Pinhey from Belgaum replacing Mr. Palmer and Mr. Curtis from leave succeeding Mr. Pinhey.

THE Parsee Alfred Theatrical Company of Bombay has leased from the Calcutta Municipality the vacant plot of land at the corner of Corporation and Hogg Streets, which was the spot selected for the proposed Municipal Theatre when that project was under discussion.

THE Young Maharaj Rana of Dholpur is among the inventors who have filed specifications of inventions which they want protected in the Patent Office, Calcutta. His Highness, in conjunction with Mr. H. C. Clogstoun, Superintendent of the Dholpur State, and Mr. A. N. Thorpe, a Civil and Mechanical Engineer, of Dholpur, is the patentee of an improved fibre or flax extractor.

THE "Sumatra Post" states that the newest departure in Delhi is for planters to establish schools to teach the coolie children on their estates the three R's. Twenty-three of these schools are now at work. The aim is not to raise the children above their standing in life, but to keep them from loafing. Natives do the teaching at low pay, and the results are so far satisfactory.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending 5th Dec. was 614, giving a death-rate of 38·46 per annum per thousand as against 48·44 the corresponding period of last year, and 48·21, the average over the past five years. Of the total number 61 died from fevers ; 7, plague ; 1, small-pox ; 1, measles ; 1, leprosy ; 30, phthisis ; 27, diseases of the nervous system ; 170, affections of the respiratory organs ; 46, diarrhœa ; 16, dysentery ; 40, still-born ; 118 old age and debility ; 14, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 29 ; Brahmin, 23 ; Lingaet, 2 ; Bhattia, 2 ; Hindu of other caste, 261 ; Hindu low caste, 75 ; Musalman, 135 ; Parsee, 16 ; Jew, 3 ; Native Christian, 20 ; European, 6 ; Negro-African, 1 ; and other and unknown castes, 1. The total number of births was 401 as against 455, the corresponding period of last year ; and 383 the average over the past five years.

NEW BOOKS AND NEW EDITIONS.

SOPRANO, by F. Marion Crawford, (Macmillan and Co.) recalls in no way the usual vein of this author and, though it is vigorous in style, and successfully depicts a man of the most unscrupulous nature who is also one of the great lights of the financial world of Europe, it ends in an anti-climax and with a degree of haste that suggests scamping. The soprano is a young English girl, gifted with a voice that is to take the operatic world by storm, and the rest of the characters show that Mr. Marion Crawford, continues to mix his nationalities well. Margaret Donne, the heroine, is English, her aunt and chaperone is American, they are staying in Versailles, a French prima donna judges of Miss Donne's voice and without jealousy predicts a great and immediate future for her. The financier is a Greek from Constantinople, who is spoken of always as an Oriental and with whom Margaret flirts in the frankest and coolest manner. He falls deeply in love with her, and is willing to be her slave in everything, until he finds that attitude unprofitable. Tom Lushington, though constantly spoken of as an Englishman, and an undoubted Anglo-Saxon, had really a French mother. From a fortuitous grouping of these elements much variety of incident and extreme results might be expected, and Marion Crawford supplies them, in the measure that the reading public of the present day seem to require. Hundreds of thousands of pounds are unconcernedly bartered or thrown about, Miss Donne has not the smallest hitch in the completeness of her success. The hero is about the least favored of the characters. Melancholy apparently marked him for her own. He had indeed a heavy handicap to carry, and could not be blamed for taking life seriously. Falling in love was not the gay proceeding to him it might have been, but he is a faithful, if somewhat unsatisfactory lover for a high-spirited girl. In marked contrast to him is the Greek whose love-making is of the debonnair sort, all the time that he is deeply in earnest. The scene between him and Margaret in his sanctum is highly wrought and will more than satisfy those who desire the realistic in novels. To say that such an experience would be a probable episode in the day of the modern young girl would perhaps argue ignorance of the adventurous and fearless spirit she usually evinces in emergencies. The close of the story is, as we said, unfinished, as if Mr. Marion Crawford contemplated a sequel.

The STUDIO for November has among many other interesting papers, one on "Ancient Bedsteads and Cradles" by A. S. Levetus, which traces the use of beds and bedsteads back to the time of the Egyptians, Assyrians, the Medes and Persians, the Greeks and Romans. In Western Europe, among the Germanic races the bedstead, it appears, came but slowly into use and there was not much elaboration about it until the twelfth or thirteenth century. These were box-like beds, beds with lattice work screens all round, reinforced with curtains. There was the elegantly designed and beautifully carved "Sky" bedstead, the work of artists. This was the sort (of bed required by the custom of receiving in bed, a fashion which began in Germany and found much favor in France in the 15th and 16th centuries. Beautiful specimens of many of the most characteristic types from different collections illustrate the paper. Cradles are admitted to the list, and the writer intends to return to the subject in another number. "Studies in Japanese Art" describe the lacquer work of Japan and Zeshin's drawings are taken as typical of the art. He produced his pictures in the middle of the last century, and so characteristic and exquisite was his execution that the connoisseur distinguishes it at once. He painted sometimes in coloured lacquers on ivory-toned fine paper, and three examples here reproduced give an idea of the clearness and rare delicacy of his touch. Sculpture bulks large in this number. A paper on Heinrich Wirsing by Otto Grauntoff gives an account of the new German school of sculpture of which Wirsing is one of the principal exponents. Very fine examples of his art illustrate the article. There are besides many interesting statues and groups of statuary given in the Studio-talk chapter. "The Country Cottage and the Materials used in its Construction" are dealt with by G. Ll. Morris and Esther Wood and very charming samples of dwellings with their plans support the letterpress. The other chief papers in this latest number are "The Illustrated Books and Paintings of W. Graham Robertson" with fourteen illustrations, "The Staats Forbes Collection," with nine, "A Colour Symphony" with three, all of special interest.

LONE MARIE, by W. E. Norris (Macmillan & Co.) tells the European social experiences of two American girls, who after the manner of their nation went to England with no special design, but filled with enthusiasm for the mother country and for Europe in general. Mrs. Barron, aunt of Lone Marie and mother of Grace Barron, who is a young millionaire as well as a very pretty girl, chaperones the two in a very easy, desultory fashion. Of course, the voyage across the Atlantic is productive of one undoubted admirer who begins apparently by falling in love with Marie Ludlow, who had a confirmed habit of annexing admirers without any delay, but she as readily set them free, if she found they did not suit her book. This particular attache transferred himself without much difficulty to the train of Grace Barron. On board the liner there was another man, a steerage passenger, whom chance brought to Marie's notice. Round him and his proceedings after reaching England later, the chief interest of the story centres. The plot, through the medium of which he contrives to present himself as a suitor for the heiress's hand is a very weak one. Marie does not show her usual acumen in adopting this rascal as her protege, and altogether there seems no adequate reason why intelligent Americans, however great their admiration of England and Englishmen, should have been so absolutely deaf and blind to the manifest disadvantages of an intimacy with a confessed never-do-well. Still the most improbable situations are not always the most impossible and the cleverest novelists must find it difficult to evolve new and at the same time likely plots.

The York Library has given us two more volumes GESTA ROMANORUM, translated by the Rev. Charles Swan, in the revised edition by Wynnard Hooper, M.A. Of this popular story-book of the Middle ages, no English version appeared until 1824, when the Rev. C. Swan translated it with tolerable fidelity, changing little, though paraphrasing often, and sometimes amplifying what he considered too bold. The present edition has undergone considerable corrections and alterations, all in the direction of accuracy. Little was known in reference to the genesis of the "Gesta Romanorum" though Sir Frederick Madden did much towards solving the problem. A German, Herr Hermann Oesterley, has dug diligently in old records and is led to believe that it was originally compiled in England in the 13th century and thence passed to the Continent. It went through many alterations, additions and corruptions. But there are many other theories extant, about this romantic and moralising fable-book. Another volume of the same library is GULLIVER'S TRAVELS, edited by G. R. Dennis. This edition is that in Bohn's Standard Library and first published in 1899, as the eighth volume of "The Prose Works of Jonathan Swift." It makes a most welcome addition to Messrs. George Bell and Sons admirable new series.

IN THE HANDS OF THE CZAR. By Garrett Mill (Blackwood and Sons) Plotters and counter-plotters, spies and lovers, disguised Princes, makers of new political combinations and designing young persons are all collected for the purposes of this story in a charming hotel at Montreux. Two distinct currents, one romantic, the other political, are pursuing their course, and the heroine Olivia Raphael is caught up in both and hurried to her fate, a willing though somewhat unconscious victim. Russia is at the time in a transition stage and before long in anarchy and confusion, which ends by placing one of the inmates of the Montreux hotel on the Czar's throne, and complicates his love affairs. The plot of the story is somewhat obscure especially where a double robbery of notes from Olivia's box is concerned. The purpose is not clear nor does is eventuate in any very definite result, beyond reciprocal charges between a Russian and an Englishman and a differentiation by Olivia of the degree of affection entertained for her by two individuals. She was not particulary correct in her reading. But her own inclination swayed her judgment. It is an interesting story.

PURELY PERSONAL.

MANY and varied are the anecdotes ever circulating in Athens concerning that most genial of monarchs, King George of Greece, and they one and all only serve to throw additional lustre on his kindly disposition and simple, unostentatious character. A foreign prince capable of winning the esteem and love of a notoriously fickle and capricious race must surely possess all the intrinsic qualities that go to make a great monarch, and King George has done more than this for at the present day there are few nations so unlikely devoted to their ruler than are the inhabitants of that old Hellenic land to the Danish Palace who wears their crown. The following little story may serve to illustrate more fully than anything else the manner in which he has succeeded in gaining the affection of his subjects.

Some years ago, when the big white palace, which is now the residence of the Crown Prince, was in the course of construction, the King was sauntering in his own gardens directly opposite, when his attention was attracted by a carter who was endeavouring to drive a cartload of heavy stones through they gateway leading to the half-finished palace. The ascent though short was steep, and a heavy rainfall had rendered the cut up path so miry and greasy that the vehicle kept slipping back and finally got embedded in the soft earth. The carter applied his whip to the quivering flanks of the steaming horse to no avail; the animal was unable to extricate the heavy load struggle as it would. The few passers-by remonstrated with the man on his brutality, but no one volunteered to assist him, and the exasperated carter, made doubly vicious by the helplessness of his own position, belaboured the poor brute still more savagely. All at once the private gate leading to the Royal gardens opened, and a soldier crossed the road.

Had the carter been less preoccupied he would doubtless have recognised the tall spare figure of the newcomer, but he was so engrossed over the exigencies of his own position that he scarcely glanced up. The King instead of heaping him with abuse as the other pedestrians had done, called on him to lend a hand, and taking hold of one of the muddy wheels showed him the best way of easing the animal's load. In a few minutes the waggon had been dislodged from the mud, and had reached the top of the slope. Then the King, mudbespattered from head to foot, sauntered leisurely back to his own garden just as if it were the most ordinary thing in the world for a monarch to assist a carter in his work or ease the burden of an overladen beast.

King George's love for the beautiful in Nature is amply shown by the care and attention bestowed on the beautiful gerdens that surround the palace in Athens, where he loves to walk. Man has done his best to convert them into an ossis of beauty and colour. They are cool and shady, even in the depth of summer, and the air is redolent with the rich, heavy perfume of bursting orange and lemon blossoms. Twice a week these gardens are thrown open to the general public, soldiers being stationed in all the walks to prevent anyone attempting to cut the rare exotic blooms that grow in profusion everywhere. The King himself is often to be seen sauntering about at such times with his son Prince Cerlstodher. On more than one occasion it is said he has himself detected and severely rebuked ladies who have been guilty of secreting flowers in their sunshades. Not so long ago an English governess and her little Greek pupil, a boy of six, were enjoying a stroll in the gardens. The child, unobserved by his companion, had for some time been busy collecting all the rotten fruit from the ground and hiding it in his loose sailor blouse, when all of a sudden the King and his daughter, the Grand Duches Marie Georgovna of Russia, emerged from a sidewalk and accosted him with a demand to know what he was so carefully hiding in his jacket. The little one looking up, and seeing no cause for alarm in the smiling face of the King, immediately acknowledged that he had been secreting some fruit for his baby brother at home, and straightway produced a specimen. The King, well-pleased with the child's candour bade him throw away all that he had previously collected, and gathering some of the finest oranges from a tree near at hand, bade him take them home to his baby brother, with His Majesty's compliments.

When the Prince of Wales was in New Zealand on his colonial tour, while in Wellington one of his engagements was to lay the foundation stone of a new railway officer, and the same eveing he was to dine with the Governor. But by an extraordinary blunder made by the compositor who set up the type the leading morning paper in its official programme announced that at 7 p. m. His Royal Highness would lay the table at Government House.

After a lapse of more than two centuries the title of Viscount Iveagh is heard in the city in which Guinness's Brewery constitutes a town in itself. The tall chimneys and elevators of the great brewery look down on the age-begrimed Church of St. Catherine, and St. Catherine's Church looks down upon the Guinness Trust Buildings which Viscount Iveagh's practical philanthropy has raised. In the vaults of the church lie two Viscounts of Iveagh, or Viscounts of Magennis of Iveagh, as they were variously called. They were brothers and the second of the two to be interred there was the last but one of the Lords of Iveagh to be recognised in the peerage of Ireland. That title, like so many others in Ireland, went out with the Jacobites.

Once again a guinness, or Magennis, is a Viscount Iveagh. And strange to relate, the new Viscount Iveagh has, as his colleague on the Board of Directors of Guinness's Brewery, a direct descendant of the last Viscountess of Iveagh in the peerage of Ireland the Earl of Kenmare. The widowed Viscountess of Iveagh, after the death of her Jacobite husband, married the nephew of the Great Duke of Ormonde, and the brother of the present Marquis of Ormonde's ancestor. Their daughter married the Viscount Kenmare, to whom the Browne estates forfeited in the Jacobite war were restored. It thus happened that the present Earl of Kenmare, who is a director of Guinness's Brewery is the lineal descendant of the last Viscountess of Iveagh in the old creation. It is surely a curious turn of history which brings after all this time a decendant of Viscountess of Iveagh into the same board-room as the Viscount Iveagh of the twentieth century.

An amusing tale (writes a corresponden.) is being told of the Duke of Abercorn. Some time ago the Duke purchased an emu, which is kept at Baron's Court, his Irish residence. Naturally he was very much interested in the bird. A little time after the emu's arrival in the farm-yard the Duke was called away to London, so he left strict directions with one of his men as to the treatment of the emu, with special injunctions to let him know at once if anything happened. Soon afterwards the Duke received a letter from the man left in charge giving the imporant fact that the emu had laid an egg, "and" continued the writer, "we have placed the egg, in the absence of your Grace, under the biggest goose in Baron's Court."

The Duches of Somerset, whose opinion regarding the reading of fairy stories to children during school hours has been much criticised during the past few days, is one of the cleverest Society women of the present time. She has travelled extensively, and during her early married life accompanied her husband travelling in all parts of the world. She is an accomplished linguist, and is noted as one of the best tellers of Scottish stories in England. She is also fond of yachting, and spends a portion of each summer with her husband on their yacht The Caprice. Her well-known love of history was shown at the famous fancy dress ball at Devonshire House, to which she went in the character of Jane Seymour, her costume being one of the most successful in the room.

Much has been said and much has been written about the late Lady Florence Dixie; but perhaps the following letter, which was sent some years ago to the editor of a newspaper, and which is now published for the first time, gives a better and truer insight into her personality than could any outside sketch or impression. The letter, which was addressed from Sandiway, Northwich, Cheshire, and dated March 27th, 1882, was as follows:—Dear Sir, —I have read your article on "Counterfeit Strong-minded Women" with much interest, inasmuch as it is a subject on which I feel deeply. I am 24 years of age, and I have seen life under a thousand different phaes from the luxuries of our high Society to the horrible realities of the lowest scenes in London. I have travelled far and wide in many countries. I have endured hardships, dangers, fatigues. I have enjoyed and I have suffered. There is little I have not seen; there is little I have not studied. The companionship of men has fallen more to my share than that of women but I have never received from them aught but the greatest respect. According to the laws of Society I have set at defiance its every rule, and yet Society has not hurried away from me. After all the experiences I have gone through I feel no less a woman. It is because I feel and know this that I cannot agree with your article. The subject is too deep to be lampooned and ridiculed; it is one that requires a minute dissection, which only those who possess a real love for humanity and the perfection of the human race can ever attempt to fathom. Pray excuse this letter; it may appear to you a strange one, but it is, nevertheless, the genuine expression of a woman who has made herself much misunderstood by knowing, seeking, and acting beyond the recognised sphere of woman, and who yet has not lost any of those gentle feelings that it is woman's privilege to possess.—I remain, your obedient servant,

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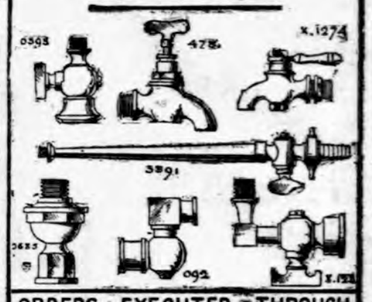
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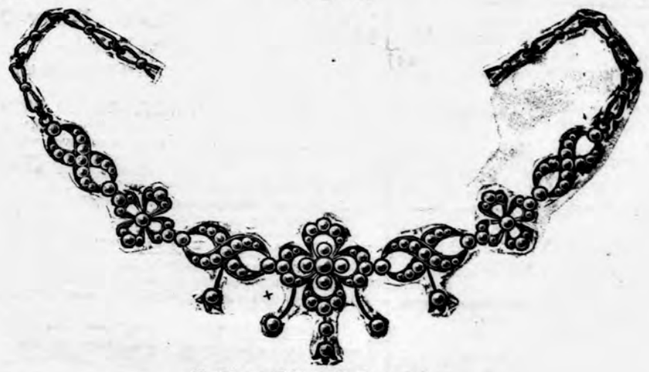
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